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## Oil Talks Nearing Breakdown Point

Teheran, Aug. 19.

The Anglo-Persian oil talks were tonight considered near the breakdown point after another inconclusive meeting of the delegates had broken up in confusion today, 60 minutes after it began.

The delegates met at the Shah's summer palace outside Teheran to discuss Persia's reply—reported to be a rejection—to the eight-point solution proposed by Mr Richard Stokes, the leader of the British mission and Britain's Lord Privy Seal.

In the Majlis (Parliament) simultaneously deputies of all sides attacked the British proposals and warned the Prime Minister, Dr Mohammed Mossadegh, not to accept them.

They attacked the Premier for conducting "secret negotiations" and demanded that he get the Majlis to report on them.

The Speaker of the Chamber said that he would ask the Premier to make a report to a secret session of Parliament on Thursday.

After today's meeting the Persian delegates had been due to remain at the palace for lunch with Mr Stokes. Instead, they left immediately after the meeting for the Premier's house. They remained there for two hours, discussing the situation with Dr Mossadegh, who was propped up on pillows in bed.

For several hours today the delegates of both sides said that there might be a meeting later in the day. But a British official spokesman said tonight that there would be no meeting tonight.

## Father Of Seven Regrets

Vico Valentia, South Italy, Aug. 19.

Luigi Prestinenzzi, the local barber, who is already the father of three children and now the sire of quads born in this remote, by-infected little town declared today: "If I imagined such a thing could happen I would have remained a bachelor."

Prestinenzzi is finding his increased family responsibilities a burden hardly bearable. "Life was hard before," he lamented. "Now it is desperate."

The quads, three boys and a girl, were born on Wednesday to Prestinenzzi's wife, Marina. Mother and babies were stated to be doing well.

The first action that the stunned father took when the news was broken to him was to ask for help from the local authorities. But so far he has not received any money. He declared: "Everybody wishes me luck. But wishes are not enough. I need money urgently."

One concrete fact, however, has emerged clearly—the Persians view on the oil question have not altered in any significant degree since last March, when a "show of hands" vote in the Majlis approved the nationalisation law.

Mr Stokes tonight explained his proposals to settle the oil dispute to Persian Members of Parliament assembled in the gardens of the Majlis.

One deputy said later: "Mr Stokes seemed very happy and very confident."

The deputy indicated that he and his colleagues made no comment to Mr Stokes on the proposals, saying that they were awaiting a report from the oil talks delegation.—Reuter.

**DEPRESSION**

Today's development depressed again the general mood from heights of optimism to the depths of depression.

The delegates broke up after today's meeting with nothing settled and neither side even certain when and where the next session would be held.

The delegates met at the Shah's summer palace outside Teheran where Mr Stokes is the guest of the Persian Government.

Mr Averell Harriman, President Truman's special representative, attended the session.

The Persian reply to the British proposals for settling the oil dispute was originally due to be published in both Teheran and London tonight, but an official communiqué after today's meeting said: "In view of the fact that a study of and discussion upon the Persian reply is incomplete, it was mutually agreed to postpone the publication."

Usually reliable Persian sources had said earlier that the reply contained Persia's rejection of Mr Stokes' proposals but listed counter-proposals on which the Persians prepared to continue the talks.

## COMMENT OF THE DAY

### The Persian Oil Dispute

EARLIER optimism over the prospects of the Persian Government finding Mr Richard Stokes' proposals for settling the old dispute acceptable has had to give way to misgivings. The Persians, apparently, have decided to dig in their toes for a bargain that would place Britain wholly at a disadvantage. Mr Stokes, on the other hand, has said he will not bargain on his fundamental proposals: that they represent the best offer he can make. Thus a deadlock exists, and with it an increasing danger that the negotiations will break down. A study of Mr Stokes' eight-point plan for a settlement of the dispute makes sympathetic appreciation of the Persian attitude difficult, if not impossible. The British proposals concede so much, and seek so little. They admit, in principle, the right of the Persian Government to nationalise its oil industry; they provide for the elimination in Persia of the existing Anglo-Iranian Oil Company and transference of its Persian assets to the Government; they suggest the creation of a National Iranian Oil Company to operate the industry and to market oil within Persia. The only concession sought is that Britain be permitted to market Persia's oil overseas on a profit-making basis. Nor is this proposal prompted by avarice. Mr Stokes has gone to considerable pains to explain to the Persians the intricacies of world marketing of oil and has fully demonstrated the necessity of having this operation carried out by experts who have been trained by long experience in the business. The Persians do not possess personnel with adequate qualifications, whereas Britain does. Iran would have to look for outside assistance in this activity, and it is to be presumed that only petty political influences are making Dr Mossadegh and his associates hesitate to accept Mr Stokes' offer. Members of the Government appear to fear that any British association with Iran's oil industry,

even as an overseas marketing agent, implies British political interference in Persia's internal affairs. Mr Stokes has frequently during the current negotiations given categorical assurances that there are no grounds for this apprehension. Quite frankly he has said that he is making a straightforward commercial proposition, with no political strings attached, and this is made transparently clear in his enunciation of the four principles guiding the British proposals, as well as in the eight-point plan. Behind the equivocations of Dr Mossadegh can be discerned the threatening influence of the extremists both in the Majlis and the newly-created Persian Oil Commission. These elements, quite obviously, are determined to prevent any agreement being reached, if that is possible, and the danger is that alling Dr Mossadegh will not prove himself strong enough to resist their machinations. The voice of Mr Averell Harriman, President Truman's special envoy, has now been thrown into the discussions in support of Mr Stokes' proposals, but whether it is sufficient to counteract the heavy pressure being brought to bear on the Persian negotiators by nationalist fanatics is a matter of considerable doubt. Also difficult to assess is the importance of the Shah in the current negotiations; whether he can persuade his Minister to an attitude of sweet reasonableness, or whether he remains an unhelpful figurehead. One ray of hope exists: the discussions have not yet completely broken down, and the announcement that publication of the Persian reply to the British proposals has been postponed, may mean that an agreement can yet be reached. But the Persians must realise that there is little, if any room, for further concessions from Mr Stokes, and that unless they are prepared to accept the basic British proposals, the chances of a settlement are remote in the extreme.

## Duke Greets Emir Feisal



The Duke of Gloucester greets the Emir Feisal, Saudi Arabia's Foreign Minister, on his arrival at Northport airport recently. The Arabian prince was on a ten-day official visit to Britain, during which time he had interviews with Mr Herbert Morrison.—AP Picture.

## NO PROGRESS BEING MADE AT KAESONG

Tokyo, Aug. 20.

The Korean armistice agreement seemed to be remote as ever today after three unrewarding sessions of Allied and Communist shirt-sleeved negotiators.

Major-General Henry Hodges, chief of the Allied half of the joint sub-committee, expressed his blunt sentiment as to the Communist attitude after Sunday's 90-minute meeting—the shortest yet. His statements were censored in dispatches from Korea. But correspondents there interpreted them to mean that the meeting was fruitless.

An official spokesman cautioned that Gen. Hodges' remarks were his "immediate reaction," as if to say that they were not diplomatic.

that one agreement may lead to another. It said, "If this is so it is to be hoped that an actual armistice may be in sight."—United Press.

Despite the sudden switch from tempered to sharply sharpened pessimism, the sub-committee is prepared to sit down for the fourth round of talks in Kaesong at 1 a.m. GMT Monday (10 a.m. Hongkong time).

As if to underscore the gloomy reports, Allied troops attacked in key sectors to strengthen their positions. The attacks set off the heaviest fighting since the armistice talks began.

At the same time, Red Air Force sailed into Korea for a second straight day to fight furious battles with United States jets and Premier Kim Il-sung, threatened to unleash the Chinese Air Force if the Allies tried to "extend the war."

## AIR BATTLE

Backing up Kim's threat, almost 50 Communist MIG-15s prowled from behind their Yalu River sanctuary on Sunday and clashed with UN jets. The Chinese Communist Air Force is estimated at a close to 1,000 planes, half of which perhaps are MIG-15s.

The seemingly cordial and agreeable atmosphere which marked the first two meetings of the sub-committee was absent yesterday. No laughter was heard from the conference room where the delegates worked over maps on the round table.

United Press correspondent Peter Kalischer reported from Kaesong that the informality of the round table talks which was to have brought both sides closer together has only permitted them to say the same things more pointedly and less politely.

The armistice talks appeared to be building rapidly to a climax. If the sub-committee fails to reach an agreement, there is little chance that the full delegation will make another effort.

The unofficial "Voice of the United Nations Command" said in a broadcast that the Communists have been ordered "on fast march" to show whether they meant to bargain in good faith.

The broadcast said on Sunday the fact that the Communists agreed so readily to the sub-committee proposal indicates

## HURRICANE HEADING FOR MEXICO

### Death & Destruction In Jamaica

Miami, Florida, Aug. 19.

A "large and dangerous" hurricane churned across the Caribbean Sea toward Mexico today, leaving scores of dead and thousands homeless on the battered tropical island of Jamaica.

The hurricane, 120 miles wide, bore down on the Mexican coastal states of Yucatan and Quintana Roo at a speed of about 130 miles an hour. The centre was expected to strike the high bluffs of Quintana Roo, about 1,000 miles due east of Mexico City, before midnight.

"This is now a very large and dangerous hurricane. Extreme caution is advised," said the Weather Bureau.

United Press correspondent Charles Noland, who flew to Kingston, Jamaica, to get first-hand knowledge of the terrific damage in the British West Indies island, said death and destruction were widespread throughout the resort playground.

An estimated 50 were killed throughout the island, with 15 dead counted in Kingston, the capital. The Governor said hundreds were injured and the Red Cross appealed to the outside world for food, clothing and medicine. A British frigate is due here, rushing supplies from Barbados, another island in the West Indies.

It was the "worst storm ever to hit the island," said the British Governor, Mr. Hugh Foot. He added that there were at least 25 deaths in the Kingston area.

The Governor and a Kingston newspaper, after scanning reports coming from all parts of the island, placed the death toll at 54. The island is still without communications but the Governor said damage was confined principally to the Southern part. He said the Northern part of the island suffered "very light damage."

house in the poorest sections of the town escaped serious damage. The streets were littered. Only the downtown streets were cleared. The bus service was restored today but many detours were necessary in outlying areas.—United Press.

Ironically, buzzards perched on high points throughout the city as the dead were being tabulated. Seventy-six prisoners, who gained freedom when the terrific winds of the storm blew down the walls of the island penitentiary, were still at large. This was of some concern to the authorities, who are trying to clear up and prevent looting.

The police chief, Walter Calder, told Noland there had been little looting so far. He said one of the more pressing problems was finding a haven for the hundreds of homeless families. Five hundred persons were being sheltered in one Kingston schoolhouse alone. Others were sent to the hurricane-damaged public maternity and mental hospitals.

## ONE MORE MYSTERY

London, Aug. 19.

British police pathologists, called in to investigate 10 violent deaths in the past month, had another Sunday mystery on their hands today.

Nearly all the recent cases—eight of them have been planned to murder—were discovered at weekends.

Experts were trying to determine whether a woman found in a Nottingham wheatfield died a natural death. They believed that she was a cook, Hilda Edwards, who vanished on July 30.

Last Sunday they were busy with the discovery of a murdered night-watchman near Manchester and a body on a Welsh beach. The previous day an 84-year-old woman was found stabbed to death in London.

The police are also hunting for the murderers of a middle-aged Nottingham woman and two little girls at Windsor and Bath. Arrests have been made in two other child murder cases and for the killing of a school headmistress.—Reuter.

## DISASTER AT STADIUM

Tokyo, Aug. 20.

Three people were killed and more than 300 others injured when 35,000 baseball spectators stampeded Sunday afternoon a fire broke out at the Chunichi Stadium, Nagoya City.

The fire started in the centre of the main stand and destroyed the whole wooden stadium and several automobiles parked outside.

Police said they thought discarded cigarettes may have caused the blaze, Kyodo reported.

The baseball game was called off in the last half of the third inning because of the fire.—Associated Press.

## Four Killed In Explosion

Singapore, Aug. 20.

At least four of the crew of the British tanker Dromus were killed by an explosion aboard the vessel near here today.

A number of others, including many labourers, are missing and three men are in hospital with serious burns.

Four hours after the explosion firemen were still fighting fierce fires on the bridge, amidships and in the forecastle.—Reuter.

## Vain Effort To Save Girl's Life

Opole, Aug. 19.

The nine-year-old Portuguese girl, Branca Maria Santos, for whom supplies of a previous new drug "Varidase" were flown from the United States, died today.

The girl, who had spinal meningitis, was given varidase treatment on August 8 as a last hope of saving her life. The drug was sent across the Atlantic Ocean in answer to an appeal by a Portuguese amateur radio operator whose broadcast was picked up by an American radio amateur.—Reuter.

## HARBOUR A MESS

Noland said the harbour was a mess. Several ships—had capsized, run aground or were badly damaged in the harbour of Port Royal. The airport at Kingston was a "collapsed jungle" of wreckage.

The huge sugar crop on the island was not affected, the Governor, Mr. Hugh Foot, said, but Jamaica's rich banana crop took a bad beating.

After hitting the island and taking a passing swipe at the British Colony of Grand Cayman, the hurricane gained steam as it rumbled across the Caribbean Sea. The old pirates' stronghold of Port Royal was "pretty well written off the map," the Governor said, with only six of some 200 houses left standing.

The most pathetic story, according to Noland, was that of a retired British officer, Captain Godfrey Creven. His Icelandic wife, their four-year-old daughter and the daughter's playmate were crushed by a brick wall as they ran outside their crumbling home. The mother was found with the two children clasped to her bosom.

## KINGSTON CUT OFF

Because Kingston was cut off from the rest of Jamaica, information on the situation elsewhere on the island was slow to arrive. United Press correspondent James Cook flew through the storm with a crew of Navy hurricane hunters.

"My stomach felt like a freshly-shaken cocktail," said Cook. He said the plane was bounced out of the hurricane's northeast edge after exploring the violent winds inside it.

Le Bill McChes, anologist from Ashland, Alabama, said it was "the biggest of seven hurricanes I have flown into and charted." The plane was piloted by Lt. Ralph Bishop and Captain R. Drouth, commanding officer of the Navy Hurricane Centre in Miami, was aboard. Other planes charted the hurricane's course from San Juan, Puerto Rico.—United Press.

## CLEANING UP

Kingston, Aug. 19.

Full-scale clean-up operations were under way today in this tourist city, still reeling from a terrific hurricane which left at least 54 dead and caused damage as high as \$6,000,000.

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## Abdullah Murder Trial

SECRET MEETING  
OF PLOTTERS  
NEAR JERUSALEM

Amman, Aug. 19.

A secret meeting outside Jerusalem to plan the assassination of King Abdullah of Jordan three days before the King was killed was described in court here today at the resumed trial of 10 men for complicity in the murder.

Mahmud Shaq Antebli, who turned King's evidence, said that he had not told the Police about it because he had been threatened with death if he divulged the secret. He had been asked at the meeting to throw a grenade to create confusion and enable the assassin to escape.

He was first approached to take a part in the plot six or seven months ago and was offered a thousand dinars, but refused, he told the court.

Antebli was in the witness box more than an hour and gave direct testimony against five of the accused.

He said that Dr. Musa Abdullah Hussein (a political opponent of the ex-Mufti) approached him three days before the King was killed. On that day Dr. Musa Hussein, with Abdul Kadir Farhat, a Jerusalem coffee house keeper, and Abd Abedq Okke, a Jerusalem cattle merchant, all now on trial, met Antebli on the outskirts of Jerusalem.

Dr. Musa told Antebli of their decision to kill Abdullah and, according to Antebli, told him that Father Abraham Ayyad, a Franciscan friar, and Dr. Daud Hussein, a former dentist, were in the plot.

Antebli was assigned the duty of throwing a grenade in the open space the Al Aqsa Mosque immediately after the shooting of the King "to enable the assassin to escape in the confusion."

## DEATH THREAT

Asked why he had not informed the Police after the meeting on the outskirts of Jerusalem, Antebli said he had been told that if he gave away the secret, he would be put to death. He added that he had not been told that Mustafa Ushq had been chosen to murder the King.

Antebli said he had first known Dr. Daud Hussein as one of those at the meeting in 1948 during the Arab-Jewish fighting, when Dr. Hussein was Inspector-General of the Jihad Muqaddas (Holy Warriors), a military formation.

The acquaintance continued as after the organisation was disbanded it owed Antebli \$203 in pay, most of which was still owing, Antebli said. The last time he had visited Dr. Daud Hussein—in Jericho—was six or seven months ago, when he went to demand a settlement.

Dr. Hussein complained that the country's condition was extremely bad. "The King must be got rid of and we will

pay you a thousand dinars," he said.

Antebli told the court he refused this offer, telling the doctor, "But first we must eat to live and I have four daughters to care for."

## EX-CONVICT

Cross-examined, Antebli admitted that he had been in prison from October 29, 1939, serving a life sentence until he was freed at the end of the British mandate when all prisoners were liberated at the end of 1947.

Antebli said he had known Abdq Okke since the latter was his chief in a terrorist organisation formed in 1937 by the Arab Higher Committee with headquarters in Damascus.

The Prosecution then read a confession made by Zakariya Okke, Jerusalem cattle merchant and brother of Abdq Okke, in which he admitted procuring jointly with Abdq Kadir Farhat the revolver with which the assassin shot the King. The confession also said that he had been assigned to throw a hand grenade after the shooting.

He knew that various sums had been paid to his brother Abdq Okke by Dr. Musa Hussein, 90 dinars on one occasion and 50 dinars on another.

—Reuter.

Premier To  
Work On  
The Farm

Budapest, Aug. 19.

The Hungarian Prime Minister, M. Istvan Dobi, announced today that he will join a collective farm in his home village.

M. Dobi, the head of the Hungarian Smallholders Party, announced his decision on the second anniversary of the constitution of the People's Republic of Hungary.

Writing in Szabad Nep, the official organ of the Hungarian Workers (Communist) Party, he said that he was led to this step by the "deep impression" gained on visits to the Soviet Union, where he saw the growing prosperity of the Soviet Caucasus.

A further contributing factor, M. Dobi said, was the progress made by the collective farms of Hungary during the current harvest.

M. Dobi, himself of "working peasant" origin, owned about two acres before the land reform and was given several more in 1945.

The number of agricultural co-operatives from collective farms was given officially as 4,250 last May with a membership of close to 200,000 peasant families. At that time the land owned by collectives was slightly higher than 13 per cent of the total arable land. —Reuter.

Royal Family  
In Scotland

The Royal Family are now holidaying at Balmoral Castle in Scotland. This picture, taken on their arrival at Balmoral Station, shows the King (in kilts on left) trying to attract the attention of Princess Anne who has turned to admirers at the back. The Queen holds Prince Charles by the hand, and on right is Lord Aberdeen.

Conference Plans  
African Defence

London, Aug. 19.

Delegates from seven European and African nations gathered in Nairobi, Kenya, tonight to begin mapping plans for the defence of Africa—key link in the Western strategy and home of the world's largest uranium mines.

France, Belgium, Italy, Portugal and Southern Rhodesia answered a call for the defence of Africa by Britain and the Union of South Africa to attend the conference, and the United States sent observers.

Egypt refused to participate because of the dispute with Britain over British troops in the Suez Canal zone and the British opposition to Egyptian annexation of the Sudan.

Africa's strategic importance for Western defence was illustrated by its role in World War II as the springboard for the Allied invasion of Italy and Sicily. Efforts since have been made to develop the continent. But poor communications have hampered both troop and supply movement and economic development. Already, the uranium mines of the Belgian Congo are the world's largest.

The conference here plans to draw up a blueprint for a joint network of communications in eastern and central Africa and the development of port facilities and telegraph, telephone and radio communications.

The United States has shown growing interest in the development of Africa and its strategic importance.

American bomber bases have been established in North Africa and three American observers are at the conference. They are headed by Mr Angus Ward, United States Consul in Nairobi, and include Army Colonel John Davies and Air

Force Colonel Edwin Bland Jr., from the United States Embassy in South Africa.

## BRITISH DELEGATES

The British delegation consists of 20 members led by Lord Ogmore, Minister of Civil Aviation. The Ministry of Defence, the three Armed Services, the Ministries of Transport and of Colonies are represented.

Last year, a 20-year agreement was concluded between Britain, Portugal and Southern Rhodesia with American financial assistance to develop the port of Beira and the Beira railway in Mozambique, Portuguese East Africa. It was the first big step toward the improvement of African communications and will supplement the existing railways and roads. It provided for the doubling of the Beira railway and the construction of a rail link from central Southern Rhodesia to Beira and Lourenço Marques in Mozambique. A railway line already connects the Belgian Congo with Rhodesia through Elizabethville and Lusaka to Victoria Falls on the West African coast where it connects with a rail line across Rhodesia and Mozambique to Beira on the Indian Ocean.

In addition, there is a trans-African highway usable for motor traffic from Capetown to Algiers on the North African coast. From Algiers, it runs to Kano in Nigeria through Fort Lamy in French Equatorial Africa to Stanleyville in the Belgian Congo and Nairobi and turns sharply south through Tanganyika, Rhodesia, South Africa, to Capetown. —United Press.

BRITAIN'S ELEVENTH-HOUR BID  
Effort To Break Anglo-Egyptian DeadlockMorrison Urges Cairo To  
Reconsider The Position

Cairo, Aug. 19.

The Egyptian Cabinet's Inner Council is to meet next Wednesday to discuss Britain's Foreign Secretary, Mr Herbert Morrison's, "eleventh-hour" bid to break the deadlock in Anglo-Egyptian relations.

The British Minister to Egypt, Mr M. J. Creswell, yesterday handed the Egyptian Foreign Minister, Salah El Din Pasha, two personal messages from Mr Morrison.

One was for the Foreign Minister and the other for the Premier, Nahas Pasha.

It is understood that Mr Morrison reviewed the international situation and described it as "fraught with real dangers," particularly in the Middle East.

It is believed that he urged the Egyptian leaders to reconsider the whole position, while there was still room for a settlement between the two countries.

Wednesday's momentous meeting will be presided over by Nahas Pasha. It will be attended by the Minister of the Interior, Foad Seng El Din Pasha, the "Strong Man" of the Wafd Government, who returned from a European tour today; the Foreign Minister; and the Minister in charge of Sudan affairs, Mr Ibrahim Farag Pasha.

Diplomatic observers here believe that there will be no immediate treaty abrogation—at least not until King Farouk returns from his Mediterranean honeymoon.

There is a practically unanimous view in responsible political circles that unless one party or the other does something to relieve the present tension and quickly—before the situation will deteriorate. That would lead to results the nature of which nobody ventures to foresee.

## DOMESTIC CRISIS

A no less serious factor, in the opinion of political observers, is the domestic crisis, which has lately been brewing over the ever-rising cost of living, and open criticism of the Administration and the increasing Government control over public liberties.

The Egyptian Government multipiece newspaper, Al Misri, said today: "It is learned from a responsible source that the statement to be made in Parliament before the end of this month, announcing the breaking off of the Anglo-Egyptian negotiations, will make no mention of the abrogation of the 1936 Treaty and the 1939 Condominium, or the positive steps to be taken for the realisation of Egypt's national aspirations."

Al Misri explained this by saying that the Egyptian Government cannot complete its study of the legislation needed to a treaty abrogation before the end of the present Parliamentary session.

Al Misri added: "At the worst, Salah El Din Pasha will announce the breaking off of the negotiations and, if necessary, an extraordinary sitting of Parliament will be called to consider the Government's final decision on this question."

## POSSIBLE ACTION

The breathing space thus gained is calculated to help both parties to make a genuine effort to get out of the present impasse, the paper said.

The Egyptian Press is speculating on what would follow any eventual abrogation of the treaty. The newspaper Al Ahram says that in the event of a showdown Egypt would declare the British garrison stationed in the Suez Canal Zone an "enemy force," withdrawing the Egyptian labourers in the camps and cutting off food and water supplies.

Such an action would not be likely to have an immediate effect on the British garrison, which is largely self-sufficient, but the resulting situation would be "fugly," the paper added. —Reuter.

## VISITS CANCELLED

Cairo, Aug. 19. The Egyptian Foreign Ministry today described a proposed British naval visit as "incon-

patible with the present circumstances."

A visit by two Egyptian frigates to Gibraltar, had been cancelled for the same reason, a spokesman said here.

Britain planned to send a naval squadron to Alexandria and Port Said but cancelled the visit last Monday because Egypt did not really agree in time for the administrative arrangements to be made. —Reuter.

Royal Navy  
Re-Disposes  
Warships

The British naval forces in the Persian Gulf—

the area since the war—are being re-disposed, it was reported here today.

The cruiser Euryalus, which has been standing by off Abadan, has cancelled a two-day visit to Mina, near Kuwait, on the north-west coast of the Persian Gulf, to take on stores from the fleet auxiliary, Fort Duquesne, which is expected to arrive at Abadan on Tuesday.

Euryalus will be joined tomorrow at her present anchorage by the destroyer Chivalrous, of the 1st Destroyer Flotilla, which arrive here recently from the Mediterranean.

Other destroyers now in the Persian Gulf are the destroyers Chequers, Chieftain and Chevron.

The frigate Wren and some store ships are also there. Commodore A. H. Wallis, Senior Naval Officer, Persian Gulf Command, who planned to visit Basra, will remain on Euryalus.

The frigate Wild Goose, of the Persian Gulf Division, arrived from the headquarters of the Gulf of Basra during the week-end to join the tank-landing-ship Dieppe. —Reuter.

ALLEGATIONS  
BY REDS

London, Aug. 19.

A British Committee which sponsored a Delegation to the Berlin Communist Youth Festival wrote to the Foreign Secretary, Mr Herbert Morrison, today alleging that American authorities in Austria had kept young British girls without food, water or sanitation for 15 hours.

The letter, from the Communist-sponsored British Youth Festival Preparatory Committee, was a reply to the long Foreign Office statement yesterday on the "difficulties" encountered in Austria by some young British delegates to the Berlin Festival.

The letter which the Committee sent today asked for an impartial tribunal "in the interests of truth and the right of freedom of travel by British subjects." —Reuter.

MINISTER MADE  
A SENATOR

Tehran, Aug. 19.

The Persian Minister of Justice, Mr Ali Heyat, resigned today because he has been made a Senator by the Shah. Half the Persian Senate's 60 members are elected and the other half are appointed by the Shah.

They cannot hold a Ministerial post. Mr Ali Heyat's successor is not yet known. —Reuter.

Rival Camps  
Clash

The Hague, Aug. 19.

Ambonese families from Indonesia living in a camp at Benin, Dutch East Indies, today attacked another camp.

Police, attracted by the noise, stopped the fighting, sent three seriously injured men to hospital, and found a hand grenade and an assortment of knives and knuckle-dusters. —Reuter.

RANGOON  
WARNING  
TO U.S.

Rangoon, Aug. 19.

"New Light", leading Rangoon newspaper, said today that the relations between Asia and the United States will undergo an "unpleasant change" if an unpopular Japanese Peace Treaty is forced on unwilling parties.

The Burmese language paper often reflects the opinion of the Anti-Fascist People's Freedom League, backbone of the Government. It said the American stand on the Treaty is motivated by what is called a self-appointed leadership in saving the world from Communism. But the paper said many Asian nations consider "justice and fair play" equally important.

The journal predicted failure of next month's conference in San Francisco "in the context of the presently prevailing situation."

In inviting nations that fought Japan to the conference, the United States said the meeting would be mainly to sign the "final" draft of the Treaty it circulated earlier this month, not a gathering to re-open negotiations on the Treaty. —Associated Press.

PERSIA ACCEPTS

London, Aug. 19. Persia has accepted the American invitation to take part in the San Francisco conference on the Japanese peace treaty, Tehran Radio said today.

She would be represented by her Consul in Japan and others whose names would be announced later, the broadcast added. —Reuter.

Output In America A New Record

Washington, Aug. 20. The country's total output of goods and services swelled to a record \$320,000,000,000 a year volume in the second quarter of this year, the Commerce Department reported on Sunday.

This reflected a nearly 20 per cent increase in overall output in the first 12 months of the Korean war—as measured in dollar value. But the figures were inflated somewhat by higher prices, making the speed-up seem greater than it actually was.

The rate of gain was slackening, too, for the April-May-June quarter produced only \$7,000,000,000 of the \$91,000,000,000 annual rate that occurred in the entire 12 months following the outbreak of the Korean war.

The report said the \$7,000,000,000 increase "stemmed wholly from the gathering momentum of the National Defence Programme."

In the preceding three-quarters, Defence had had only a minor share of the increase.

While combined Federal, State and local government outlay for goods and services rose from an annual rate of \$53,000,000,000 in the first quarter to \$60,000,000,000 in the second, consumer purchases dropped from \$208.2 billion to \$201.7 billion. —Associated Press.

Sequel To  
West Point  
Scandal

New York, Aug. 19.

The New York Criminal and Civil Courts Bar Association announced today that it has asked President Truman to assure the 90 ousted West Point cadets that their discharge is not final and will be reviewed impartially in Washington.

Mr Robert Daru, general counsel of the Association's committee on justice, said the request was sent to Mr Truman yesterday. He said the Association wants to make sure that the 90 alleged cribbers have not been irrevocably dismissed on the basis of the judgments of the review boards at West Point and will be afforded further consideration.

The men were ousted because they allegedly participated in a cheating system under which information on examinations was passed on by men who had taken them to cadets in later quiz sections at the academy. —United Press.

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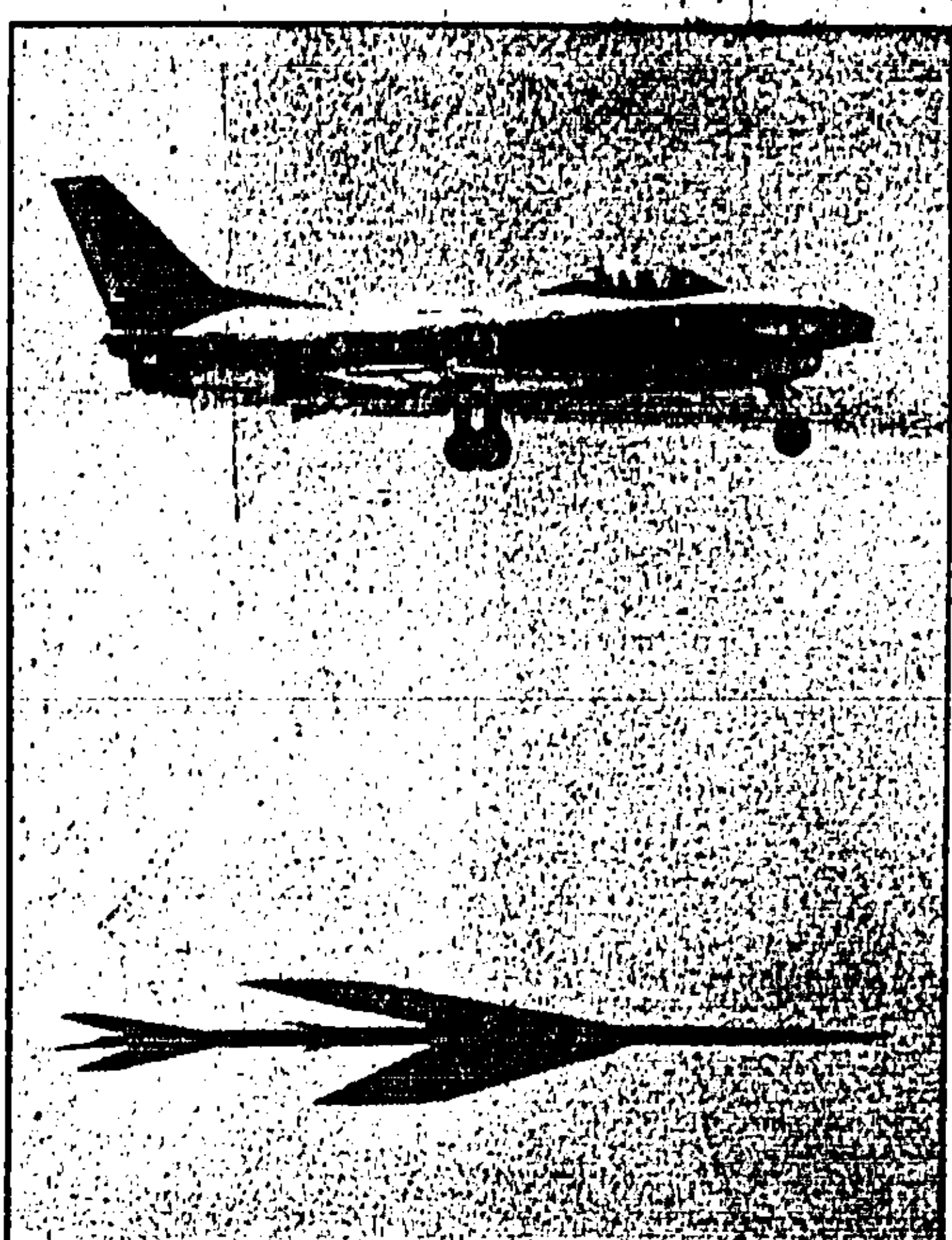
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Shadow Of A  
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Improving

London, Aug. 19. Sir Stafford Cripps, 62-year-old former British Chancellor of the Exchequer, who has been seriously ill in a Swiss clinic with a tubercular infection of the spine, may be fit enough to return to England before the end of the year.

Mr Charles Nell, body posture specialist, forecast this in an interview here today on his return from a fortnight at the Zurich clinic where he has been treating Sir Stafford to walk.

Sir Stafford would have to remain at the clinic for some months, but it was possible that he would return to Britain this year, Mr Nell said.—Reuter.

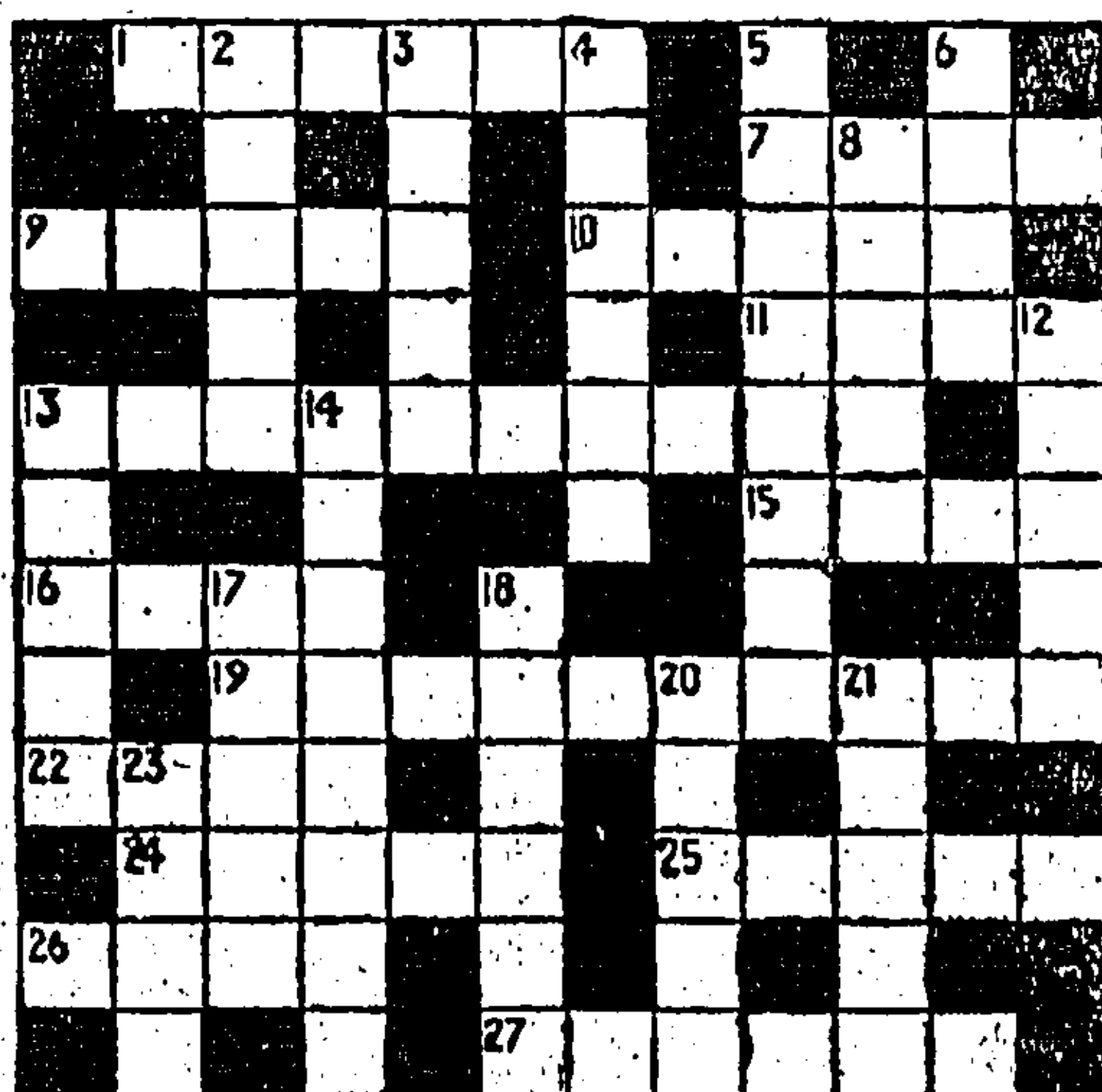
State Governor  
Going To Japan

Sacramento, Aug. 19. Governor Earl Warren is to leave today on a flight to Japan to inspect California soldiers in service and in training there.

Mr Warren will fly from Travis air force base near San Francisco aboard an air force plane. The exact time of the take-off was not announced.

Some 10,000 Southern Californians are serving in the 40th Division of the California National Guard now training in Japan.—United Press.

## A British Crossword Puzzle



ACROSS

DOWN

- 1 Waited a moment (6).  
7 Mineral salt (4).  
8 Compel (6).  
10 Criminal (5).  
11 Assort (4).  
13 Vague (10).  
15 Thought (4).  
16 Awkward fellow (4).  
19 Merciless (10).  
22 Symbol (4).  
24 Wood (5).  
25 Spectacle (6).  
26 Portend (4).  
27 Fashions (6).
- 2 Pungent (5).  
3 Ledger (6).  
4 Protect (6).  
5 Splendid (6).  
6 Sun-dial (4).  
8 Adored (5).  
12 Wanderers (6).  
13 Loaf (5).  
14 Lengthened (6).  
17 Pressed (5).  
18 Card suit (6).  
20 Irritable (5).  
21 Bird (5).  
23 Image (4).

SATURDAY'S CROSSWORD. — Across: 1 Diddle, 4 Usage, 7 Limpid, 8 Trile, 10 Chant, 12 Trained, 15 Argue, 16 Sore, 17 Tune, 19 Lever, 20 Entail, 21 Drop, 23 Trait, 24 Nimbus, 25 Balise, 26 Schindler, 27 Dervish. — Down: 1 Delicate, 2 Dominant, 3 Lark, 4 Scowled, 6 Quicker, 7 Frazzled, 9 Tossing, 11 Ape, 13 Trench, 14

Economic Discontent  
In Japan On  
The Increase

Tokyo, Aug. 19. The hard core of Japanese opposition to alignment with the United States and the Western Powers is Japan's nearly six million trade unionists.

Economic discontent in Japan is on the increase. Officially, 390,000 are listed as unemployed and receiving Government assistance. But in fact at least two million Japanese are believed to be unable to find work and are surviving on the charity of their relatives.

If the Korean war ends, Government experts expect another sharp rise in unemployment owing to the discharge of workers from factories which have been supplying the United Nations war effort with a variety of equipment and supplies.

Should that happen, labour unrest, as yet still only seething below the surface, may break out into the open.

But the Socialist Party in Japan has a strong hold over organised labour. Only recently, the Socialists and the trade unions, with the vociferous backing of their rank and file, drew up a programme consisting of three principles.

In these they express their opposition to:

- 1.—A peace treaty not signed by Soviet Russia and Communist China.
- 2.—The rearmament of Japan, whose constitution, they state, renounces an army for ever.
- 3.—A Pacific pact with the United States and the British Commonwealth which, they declare, would necessarily place Japan in one of the world's two armed camps.

## WAR BOGEY

To the rank and file of labour, the worst of all eventualities would be a third World War in which Japan would almost certainly become an advanced island outpost.

Japan's industrial workers suffered in the last war. American strategic bombing was admittedly aimed at knocking out the nation's labour force by destroying its morale.

The workers cling to the conviction that a neutral course for Japan is not impossible, though many Japanese labour leaders will admit privately that it is "unrealistic."

Few, conscious of the strength of mass opinion in the large unions, will say so publicly, however, for fear of being removed from office.

Add to the working man's anxieties for the future, there is always this daily fight to make ends meet. He is better off than his counterparts in the rest of Asia, but that is about all.

Japanese reconstruction continues at a prodigious rate.

## INFLATION GROWING

Tokyo, as one example, is a city of sturdy new buildings and factories springing up, it seems, on every street corner.

But the prosperity is not evenly distributed. Growing inflation has struck straight at the working class family, which has never been much above the subsistence level.

Since 1948, the price of food has risen officially by 40 per cent and rents by 60 per cent. The price of rice is shortly to be increased another 18 per cent.

Nor does this tell the whole story. In the case of rice, for example, price controls exist on the legal markets where purchases are rationed. But housewives, who cannot obtain enough rice on the legal market to feed their families, resort regularly to a black market which exists quite openly, operating in what one official called a "legitimate illegitimate manner."

Wages have also risen, but only an average of three and one-half times the 1948 level. The yen buys less and the increase in wages means little to those who have lost their jobs in the past three years.

## PREMIER UNPOPULAR

For their economic plight and their international fears, organised labour largely blames one man, the Conservative, hard-working Prime Minister, Mr Shigeru Yoshida.

Mr Yoshida's unpopularity among the industrial working classes grows even as his Conservative Coalition, backed by the new middle class and the prosperous farmers, become more powerful in every election.

In recent local and prefectural elections, the Conservatives polled more than 75 per cent of the vote. Labour and the Socialist Party, though enjoying greater freedom of activity than ever before, and suffering from a growing sense of frustration, which finds an outlet in the Communist Party, have been unable to make any significant gains.

Trade union leaders believe that it is only the continued Occupation which has prevented the Government from revising the labour standard laws originally adopted at the suggestion of Allied advisers.

Already, they say, a committee of the Government has recommended changes which would relax the regulations on the employment of women and children and give the Government power to prohibit strikes under certain conditions.

## BAN ON STRIKES

After the peace treaty, the Government is almost certain to retain the ban on the general strike, which was first imposed by General MacArthur in February, 1948.

To dodge this, the unions have in the past used such tactics as "general strikes piecemeal" in which, at a given signal, one or more districts go on strike, followed after a certain period of time by other districts and then later, still others.

These have proved disruptive but not as satisfactory politically as a general strike.

Communist influence continues to be dominant in only a few small trade unions and Communist trade union members are estimated to total no more than 100,000.

According to American officials, most Communist labour leaders have simply vanished in the past year. They are believed to have been ordered underground.

Possibly looming larger than any Communist threat in Japan today is a possibility of co-operation between labour and an important portion of the old militarist right-wing.

A number of former military officers have made known their opposition to a foreign policy which makes Japan an advance base for the West. As the occupation and the purge near an end, these have grown more vociferous.

Until now, past antagonism has proved too unbending and the two groups have shunned working together. But if they did decide to join hands, at least on foreign policy and observers here agree that this is possible. The political situation in Japan could change almost overnight with unpredictable consequences.—Reuter.

Pledge By  
Communist  
Youth

Berlin, Aug. 19. Two million youths from 104 countries pledged themselves here tonight to campaign for a "Big Five" peace pact "to create the basis for a peaceful, neighbourly life among all peoples."

The "peace vow," concluding East Berlin's Communist World Youth Festival, will remain secret until the demonstration begins. An unofficial translation of it said that "the unshakable will of the young generation of all countries and peoples... is aimed at preserving peace and winning a better future."

The declaration said that world youth realised that "a great threat of a new war" was hanging over the world, and that the enemies of peace were doing everything in their power to disturb friendly relations between the peoples of the world.

"They began competing in an unrestrained armament race and in certain countries they moved to open aggression. We believe that there is a sure means of preventing a new war—that is, to discontinue the armaments competition and to conclude a peace pact between the Big Five powers—United States, Soviet Union, Great Britain, France and China."

## Portugal's New President



General Craveiro Lopes salutes the flag of the Guard of Honour as he enters the National Assembly building in Lisbon on August 9 to take the oath and to receive full powers as President of Portugal in succession to the late Marshal Oscar Carmona. The new President's first public act was the laying of a wreath on the tomb of his predecessor.—AP Picture.

Kremlin Annoyed  
By Cancellation  
Of Trade Treaty

London, Aug. 19.

Russia accused the United States tonight of "further worsening" relations between the two countries by cancelling the 1937 American-Soviet trade agreement. The Soviet monitor, in a hand-out, distributed the broadcast Soviet note.

The Soviet agency Tass announced the text of the Russian charge, which it said had been handed to the State Department in Washington by the Russian Embassy on Saturday.

The Tass Moscow despatch monitored here said the Russian note was in reply to a note by the United States Secretary of State, Mr Dean Acheson, informing the Soviet Union that America had decided to cancel the 1937 agreement.

"The Soviet Government appraises the above decision as an act directed towards further worsening of Soviet-American relations, for which all responsibility rests fully with the Government of the United States of America," said the note.

The text of the note was as follows: "The Soviet Government confirms the receipt of the note of Mr Acheson, United States Secretary of State, of June 23, 1951, which informs it of the decision of the Government of the United States of America to annul the trade agreement between the United States of America and the Union of the Soviet Socialist Republics of 1937."

## "IN CONTRADICTION"

"The Soviet Government deems it opportune to remark that the trade agreement between the USSR and the United States was concluded in 1937 and then renewed annually up to 1942, when, at the proposal of the United States Government, the decision was taken to renew this agreement for the future without standing a period for its operation."

"The Soviet Government deems it necessary to draw attention to the fact that the decision of the United States Government on denunciation of the trade agreement of 1937 is 'IN CONTRADICTION'."

Atlantic Pact  
Extension

London, Aug. 19.

The Atlantic Pact Committee Council will on Tuesday tackle the question of admitting Greece and Turkey to full membership of the North Atlantic Treaty Organisation. It was understood in diplomatic quarters today.

The United States, supported by Britain, would like a definite recommendation in favour of admitting them in time for the NATO Ministerial Council meeting at Ottawa in mid-September.

If the deputies fail to reach an agreement the question will then be fully argued by the Ministers themselves when it is hoped an agreement will be reached enabling the Greek and Turkish Foreign Ministers to attend the NATO Council meeting in London.

SLUMP IN  
JAP TRADE  
WITH HK

Tokyo, Aug. 19.

Hongkong, Japan's third best customer last year with \$53,000,000 worth of Japanese exports, fell to sixth with \$33,000,000 in the first seven months of this year, according to a survey of the International Trade and Industry Ministry.

The United Nations embargo decision against Red China was said to be the cause of the slump.

Indonesia proved to be the best customer next to the United States.

Of a total of \$852,000,000 export, the United States was top with \$112,000,000 against \$179,000,000 for the whole of last year.

Indonesia, in fourth place last year, jumped to second, with \$94,000,000, chiefly because of an increase of cotton goods purchases. The seven-month figure was already twice the 1950's \$49,000,000.

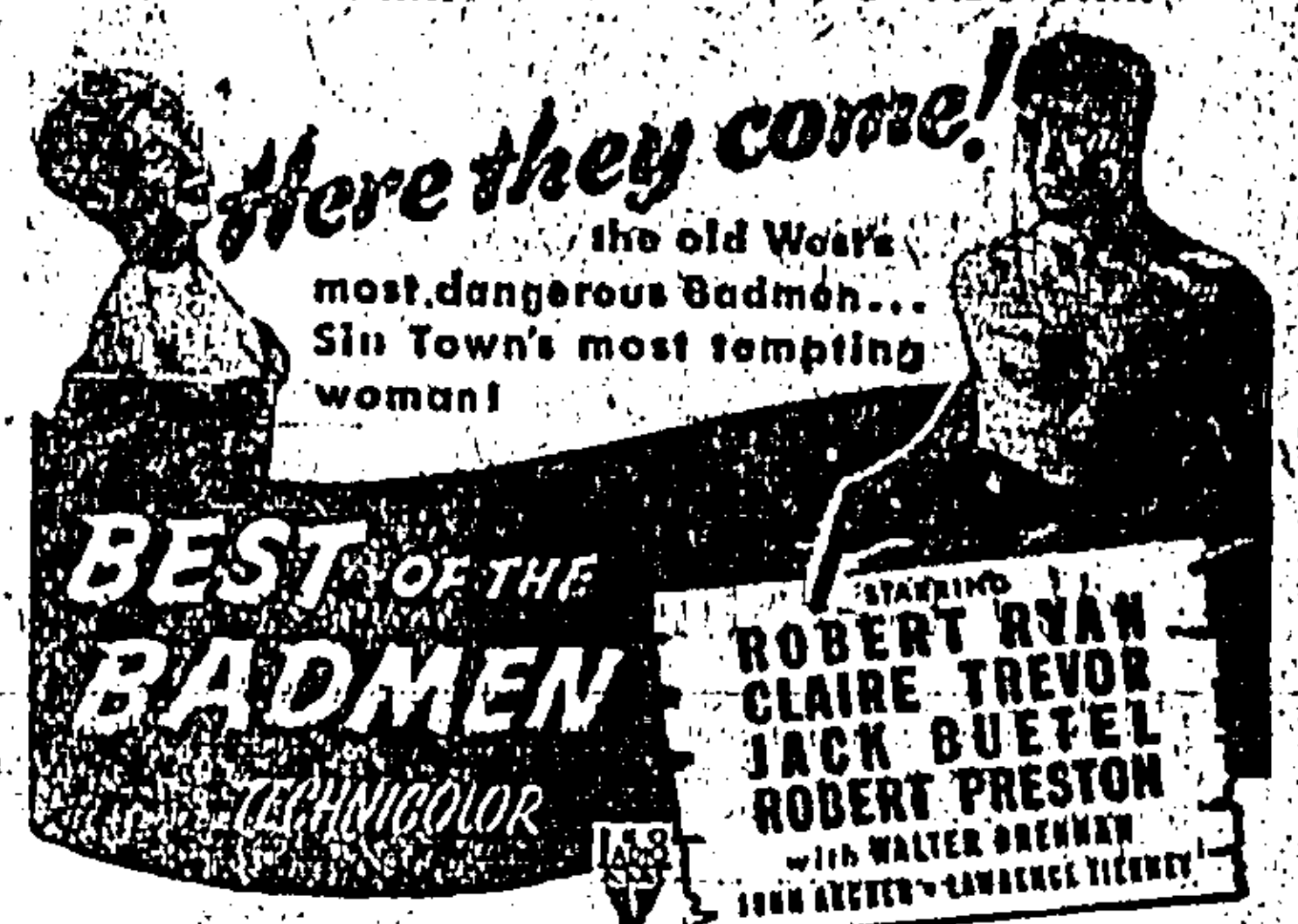
Tokyo, second largest customer last year, dropped to third place with \$80,000,000 comprising mostly the purchase of cotton cloth and machinery.

Other marked advances were the rise of Argentina from 110th place last year to fifth and that of Australia from ninth to fourth.

Red China with \$6,000,000 dropped to 20th place, compared with 12th on the list last year. Trade with Pakistan, Australia, Singapore, South Africa, England, India, Hongkong and other leading place buyers is expected to advance because of the forthcoming signing of the new Indo-Pakistani trade agreement.

## KING'S MAJESTIC

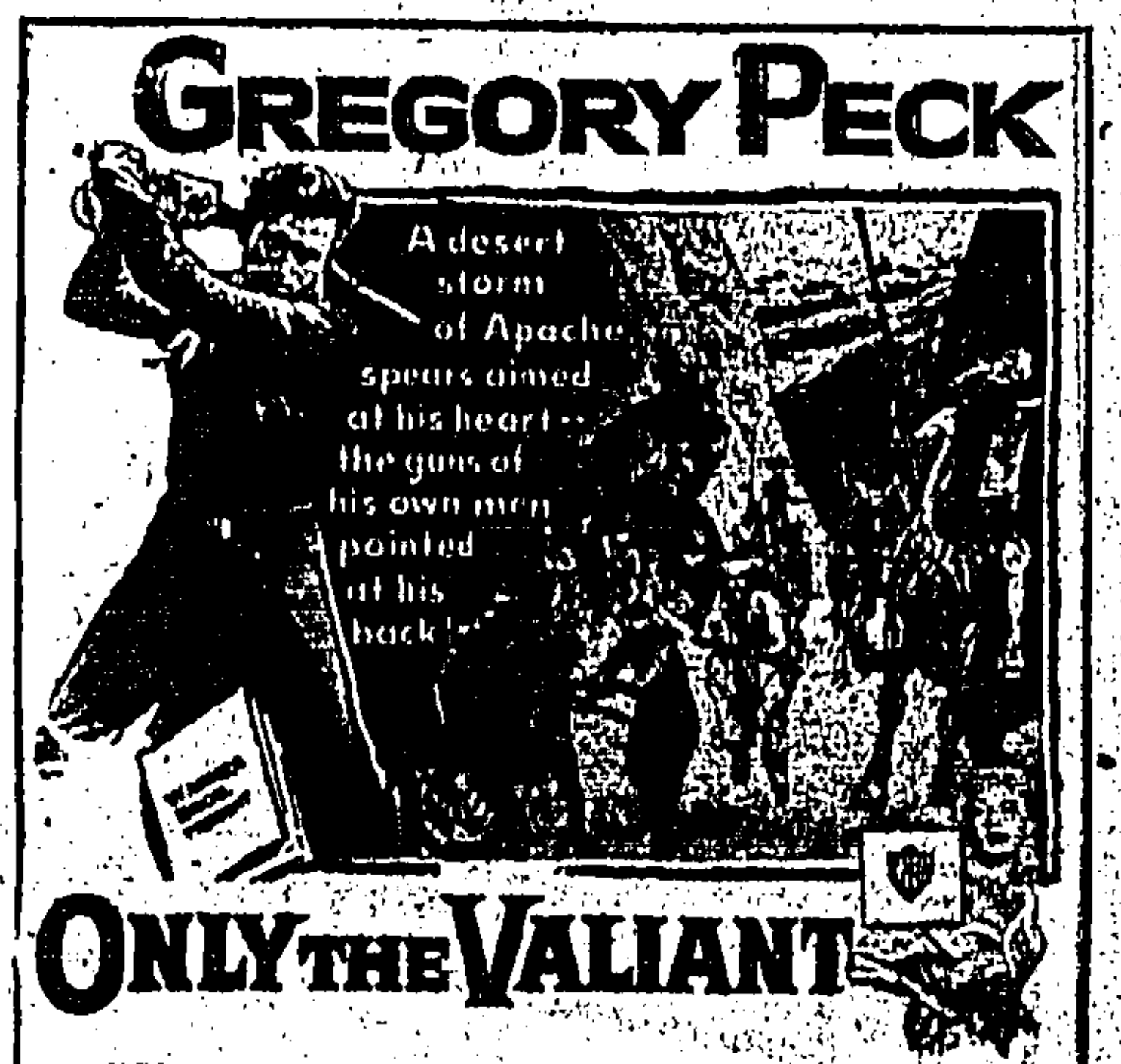
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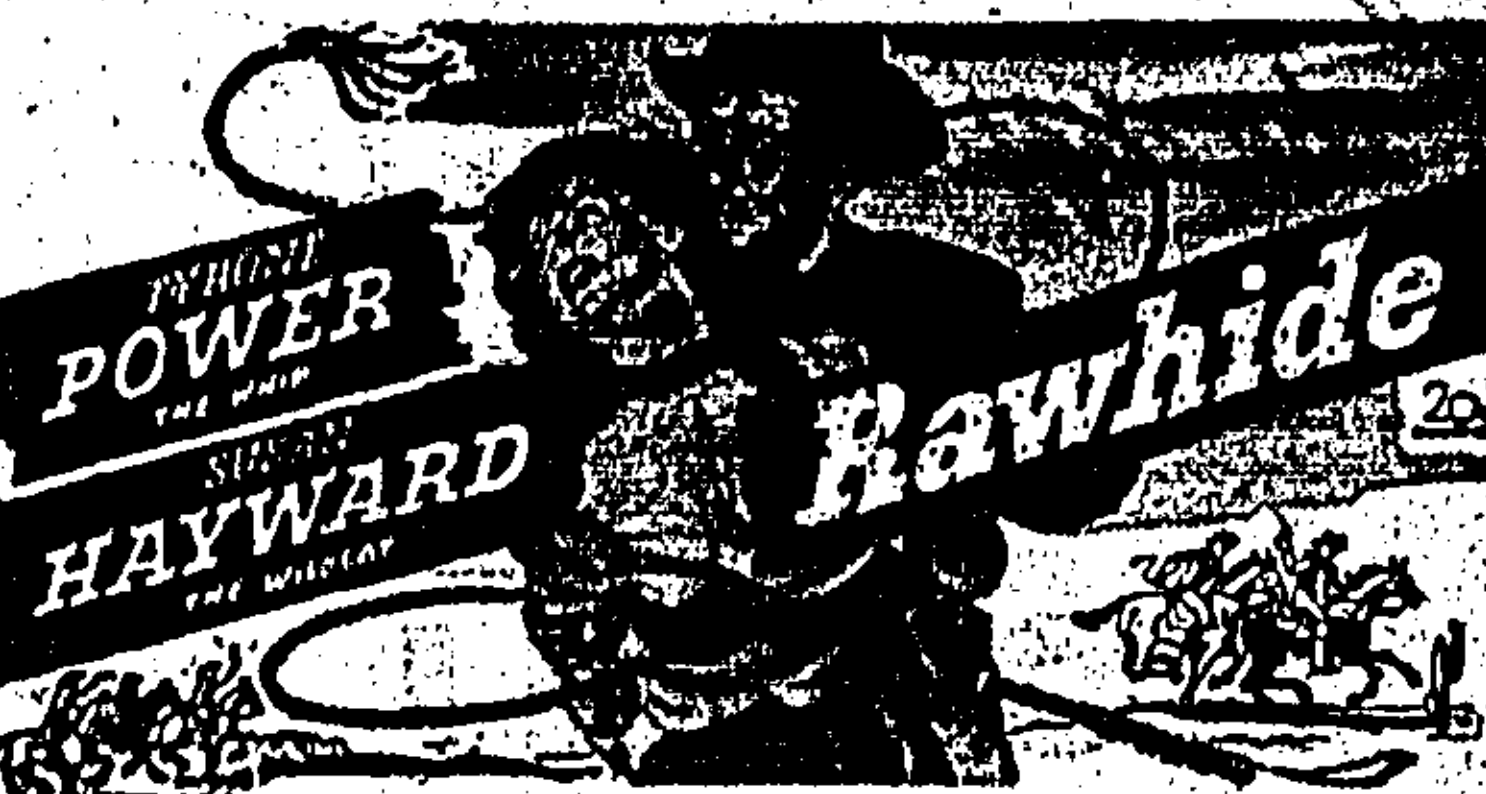
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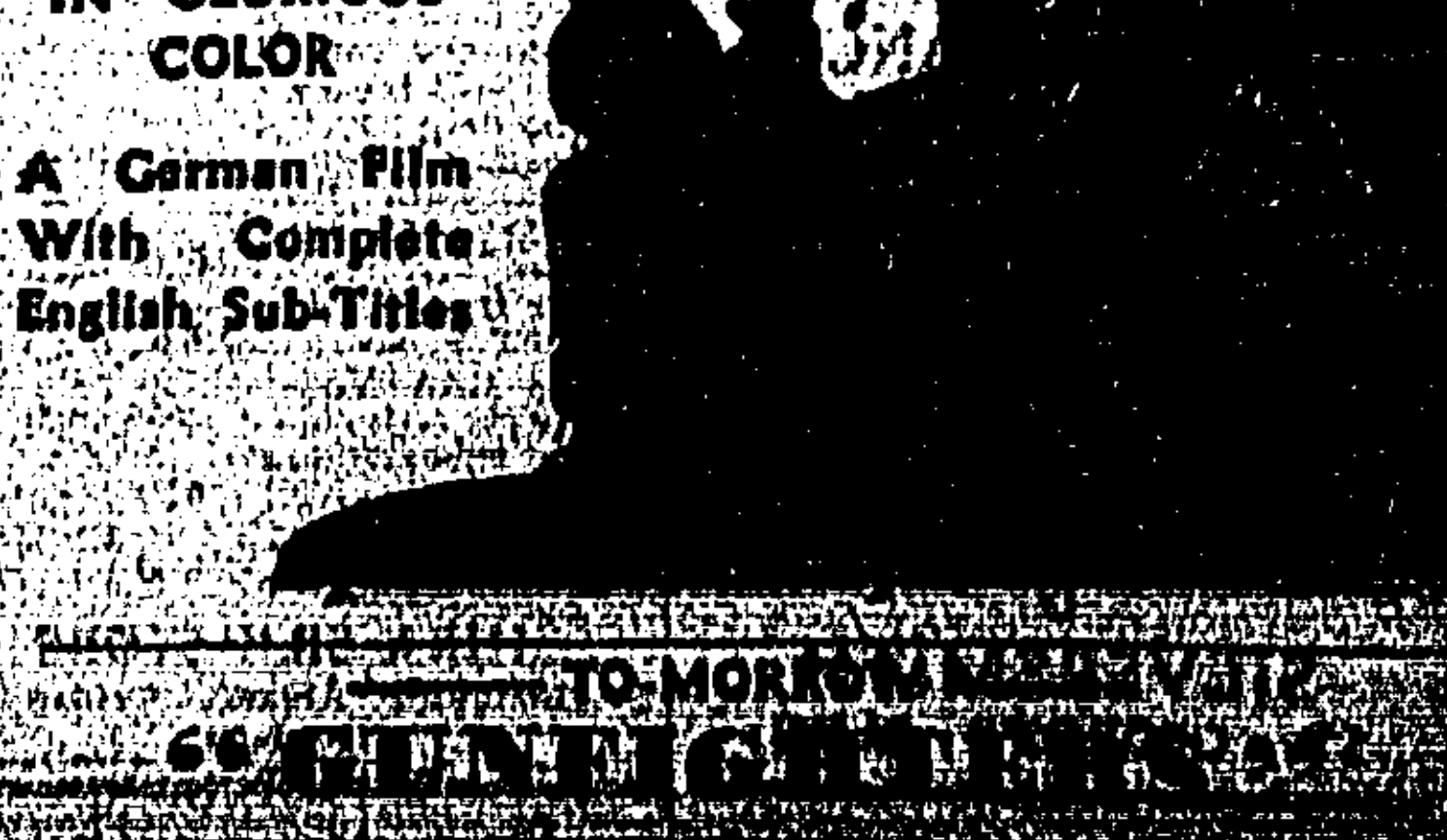
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## COMPETITION IS LARGELY FROM HOME



Herb McKenley, holder of the world record of 46 seconds for the 140 Yards run, is a Jamaican. So are George Rhoden, holder of the 100 Metres record of 46.8 seconds, and Arthur Wint, the Olympic Champion at 400 Metres.—Express Photo.

## INDIA TO PLAY CHESS MATCH WITH JAPAN

Bombay Aug. 19. The Chess Club of India has accepted a challenge from the Chess Club of Tokyo to play a five-board correspondence chess with Japan, it was learned here.

The Japanese team, led by Dr. Matsu Kashi, the world famous pathologist, is believed to be made up of the finest chess players in Japan. The Chess Club of India has not yet selected its team but it is likely to be led by Ramachandra Supre, the Club Champion.

The Indian club has made good showings in correspondence matches against Australia, South Africa and is confident of beating Japan. —United Press.

## MOSCOW CHESS TOURNAMENT

London, Aug. 19. The 19th Moscow chess tournament has been won by the 22-year-old player Pletosin, Moscow Radio said today. Pletosin scored nine and a half points out of a possible 12 points, winning seven games, drawing five and losing none. —Reuter.

# LEACH AND HAGUENAUER WIN FOUR OF FIVE EXHIBITION MATCHES

By "OBSERVER"

World Table Tennis Champion Johnny Leach and French Champion Michel Haguenauer last night won the fifth of their extended series of seven games in Hongkong, defeating a Hongkong Combined team by four matches to one.

Leach served the capacity crowd with another masterful and sparkling exhibition of all-round stroke play, winning easily his two singles matches and paving the way to the Doubles victory.

Haguenauer was on one of his off-days, but made a spectacular recovery in his singles match against the Macao player, Wong Sek-tim. After losing the first two sets, he was trailing 15-20 in the third set when he reeled off seven points in a row to save the set and eventually win the remaining two sets.

On the whole the opposition put up by the Hongkong team yesterday was disappointing, as was the selection of the players for yesterday's matches.

It was thought that the original intention of staging the first night's programme all over again would be adhered to, but instead Hongkong put up a mere second-rate team. If it was the Table Tennis Association's idea to give every ranking player a chance to play against the reputed world stars, the choice of Cheng Kwok-wing could be understood, but still to be explained was the inclusion of Wong Sek-tim, a Macao player, in the other Singles and Keung Wing-ning and Chau Hing-chau, who have already played against Leach and Haguenauer in the Doubles.

For tonight's match another second-class singles line-up comprising Chung Hing-chau and Keung Wing-ning has been chosen, with the Doubles choice of Chung Chin-sing and Li Ping to possibly brighten up the night's programme.

There is only one series of games left after tonight's programme, and to be fair to the crowd and also to Leach and Haguenauer, let us hope that the Table Tennis Association will not let Chung Chin-sing and Li Ping sit on the laurels of their victories over the World Champions, but put on view Hongkong's best and probable team for the World Championships next year, which in my opinion would be Sit Sul-cho and Chung Chin-sing in the Singles and Sit Sul-cho and Fu Chi-fong in the Doubles.

## YESTERDAY'S GAMES

Ex-Colony Champion Cheng Kwok-wing gave Hongkong an opening lead of one match by defeating Haguenauer 13-21, 21-13, 21-12, 21-17.

After starting promisingly, Haguenauer lapsed into errors and was a little on the slow side to cope with Cheng's fast short ball-volley defence returns. Immaculate strokes enabled Leach to polish off Wong Sek-tim in three straight sets 21-14, 21-13 and 21-11.

The Doubles match saw Leach and Haguenauer in a run-away first set win of 21-9. The local lads, Chung Hing-chau and Keung Wing-ning, put up a better resistance in the second set, and were actually leading by 11-4, 13-7, 16-9 and 19-14 at different stages of the set, only to fall prey to their own lack of steadiness to lose by 19-21. Taking over the offensive in the third set, particularly in its later stages after the score had reached 14-14, they scored the seven remaining

points for the loss of only one to take the set at 21-15.

The fourth set saw the local pair all at sea when pinned to the defensive as the two world stars plastered them with drives from all angles to win set and match by 21-8.

Most thrilling match of the evening was the singles encounter between Wong Sek-tim and Haguenauer. Spectacular retrieving by Wong took him through the first two sets by 18-21 and 12-21.

Playing a more careful game, and reverting slightly to the defensive, Haguenauer captured the third set, but found himself trailing again by 3-7, 11-17 and 15-20 in the fourth.

Wong's weak follow-ups were distinctly evident at this stage, and to the disgust of his supporters he continued to merely push the ball back.

Haguenauer caught up to 20 with some beautiful forehand drives and finally won set by 22-20.

Discouraged by this reversal and tiring rapidly, Wong was no opposition to Haguenauer in the final set, losing by 12-21.

In the last match of the evening between Leach and Cheng Kwok-wing, the latter

found his fast short half volley returns keep coming back faster and faster from the Champion's short attacking strokes, forcing him time and again to hit out from the varied pace.

Cheng's one-hand, backhand style provided Leach with an easy point of vulnerability on the deep forehand corner. Leach won as he pleased by 21-14, 21-11 and 21-12.

## TONIGHT'S GAMES

7.30 p.m.: Hongkong will be represented by Keung Wing-ning and Chung Hing-chau in the Singles and Chung Chin-sing and Li Ping in the Doubles.

Exhibition games at Southern Playground, Wanchai, featuring Johnny Leach and Michel Haguenauer, commencing 7.30 p.m.

## MEETINGS

Amateur Sports Federation and Olympic Committee of Hongkong meeting at Victoria Recreation Club, 5.30 p.m.

## All-Australian Final In U.S. Doubles

Chestnut Hill, Mass., Aug. 19. The United States National Doubles Tennis Championship became Australian property for the second straight year today when a pair of talented Aussie teams eliminated the last remaining Americans in the semi-final round of the play at Longwood Cricket Club.

In a stunning upset, the Australian entry of Don Candy and Mervyn Rose, second-seeded in the foreign field, overpowered America's top-ranked pair of Gardner Mulley and Bill Talbert, 6-4, 6-8, 20-18, 8-7.

The first-seeded foreign pair of Frank Sedgman and Ken McGregor (Australia) defeated the second-seeded home team of Budgie Patty and Tony Trabert, 6-3, 6-1, 6-4.

The all-Australian final round will be played on Monday. Sedgman won the doubles crown last year while teamed with John Bromwich.

In the women's semi-final match, the second-seeded American team of Miss Nancy Chaffee and Mrs. Patricia Todd defeated the British Wightman Cup players, Miss Jean Querrier and Miss Kay Tuckey, first-seeded foreign entry, 6-3, 6-3.

The Chaffee-Todd pairing will play on Monday against Miss Doris Hart and Miss Shirley Fry, title favourites, in the final round of the women's event. —United Press.

## Baseball Scores

New York, Aug. 20. Results of Sunday's games in Major League baseball were:

AMERICAN LEAGUE: Boston 8, Washington 3; Philadelphia 15, New York 1; Cleveland 4, Chicago 0 (first game); Detroit 4, St. Louis 2 (first game).

NATIONAL LEAGUE: New York 5, Philadelphia 4; Chicago 2, Pittsburgh 4 (first game); Brooklyn 4, Boston 13; St. Louis 5, Cincinnati 0 (first game). —Associated Press.

SECOND GAMES

The following are the results of the second games in the double-headers:

AMERICAN LEAGUE: Detroit 8, St. Louis 2; Cleveland 9, Chicago 4.

NATIONAL LEAGUE: Chicago 4, Philadelphia 13; St. Louis 5, Cincinnati 0 (first game); St. Louis 5, Cincinnati 0 (second game). —Associated Press.

# Local Softball Association's Standing Recognised By The Governing Body

By "GRANDSTAND"

An official communication has been received by Mr. A. E. Ablong from the Amateur Softball Association of the Americas granting temporary recognition of the local Association's standing in the Far East, pending ratification of their affiliation rights which will be approved at the next meeting of the Membership Committee.

Dr. F. J. Molthen, current President of the Hongkong body has been appointed as the first Commissioner in Hongkong and in future all inquiries pertaining to a Softball will be channelled through the local organisation.

Great interest has been shown in the activities of our organisation and a request for photographs of the outstanding teams in the Men's and Ladies' sections of the leagues has been made with the object of publishing them in their next Olympic Guide.

## MAY BE OLYMPIC SPORT

Several critics in the press have lately referred to Softball as a non-Olympic game and it may be of interest to them to learn that an application has been made to the Olympic Committee for the inclusion of this sport in the international programme. Great hopes exist in the United States for this to be included in 1956, if not in 1952.

Team managers are reminded for the last time that entries to the regular Leagues close on Monday and although entries received to date are encouraging, it is evident that most teams are waiting for the deadline.

The Canadians, about whom there were some doubts as to their entry, have submitted their roster while the Americans, who battled the Champions in 1950-51 to a playoff tie, are taking part in this popular pastime again.

The Jaguars have teams in all three of the men's sections, namely, Senior "A" and "B" and the Juniors, while the U.S. Navy has submitted through pilot Leon Mayfield an imposing lineup which is rumoured to possess several speedy hurlers.

The Junior League rivals, the Blackhaws and Delawares, are entered once more to revive their feud, and while the former have depleted somewhat by the promotion of pitcher Joey Grace and shortstopper Bernie Silva to the Madcaps, they have acquired new talent in Mana Remedios and Carlos Xavier. The Griffins are still in the League, but South China have done away with their second stringers with only an entry in the Seniors.

## SQUAWS ONLY SO FAR

The Ladies' League is still a mystery for although there is plenty of talent around, only the Squaws have sent in their entry. The Wahoes have finally decided to run for the pennant once more while South China has been rumoured to be moulding a female squad. Apart from this, no official intimation has yet been received by the Association regarding their intentions for the coming season.

St. Joseph's, who have decided to join the race again for sentimental reasons, have not yet been able to round up the minimum of 12 players, although they have been strengthened by Kimo Hyndman and lightning finger A. Emick.

The pending deciding game of the Summer League, which was scheduled to be played on Wednesday afternoon, was

## THE GAMBOLS



## TODAY'S SPORT

### WATER POLO

Fortuna v Chung Sing (Red) (Ritz), 6.15 p.m.; RAF v Eastern (VRG) 7 p.m.; A & S.H. v EYMCA (EYMCA), 6.30 p.m.; VRG v Chung Sing (Blue) (VRG), 6.15 p.m.; Chung Wing v RAMC (Ritz), 6.45 p.m.; South China v Royal Navy (EYMCA), 7 p.m.; Hot Tin v White Sharks (VRG), 6.45 p.m.

### TABLE TENNIS

Exhibition games at Southern Playground, Wanchai, featuring Johnny Leach and Michel Haguenauer, commencing 7.30 p.m.

### MEETINGS

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# Some High Class Racing Due In The Meeting At Knaves' Mire Course

London, Aug. 19.

The famed Knaves' Mire Course at York, set in charming surroundings, should be graced by some high-class racing during the meeting, which starts next Tuesday, August 21.

Every race on the three-day card is worth at least £1,000 and such events as the Nunthorpe Stakes, Yorkshire Oaks, Ebor Handicap and Gimcrack Stakes will bring a spice to British racing which it has lacked during the quiet time since Goodwood.

One of the most keenly sought prizes at the meeting, which was established as long ago as 1709, is the Gimcrack Stakes, the important six-furlong test for two-year-olds which carries with it the honour of addressing the Brethren of the Ancient Fraternity of York Gimcracks at their annual dinner in December.

This year's race, to be held next Thursday, is no exception. There are 18 acceptors for the race, representing leading owners from Britain, France, the United States and Ireland.

Four years ago the honour of putting his views on racing before the Brethren of the Ancient Fraternity fell to Mr. William Woodward, former Chairman of the New York Jockey Club, through the success of the colt, Black Tarquin.

## TRYING AGAIN

This year Mr. Woodward has accepted with his American-bred colt, Basilidon, by Some Chance out of Lady Granville. Basilidon has run only once, finishing third of four entries at Goodwood in the race in which Lord Rosebury's crack two-year-old colt, Bob Major, was unexpectedly beaten by Mr. James Rank's Gray Time.

Basilidon finished only one and a half lengths behind Bob Major and two behind the winner, a creditable performance for a first appearance on a racecourse.

The race was over six furlongs, the same distance as the Gimcrack Stakes.

American colours will also be carried by Flery Torch, a British-bred colt by Nasrullah, owned by Mr. Robert Sterling Clark. Flery Torch has won one small race in four outings.

M. Marcel Bousac, the French owner, will rely on a filly, Pharoas, in his bid to win the race for the third time, though only two of the six have been successful since 1924.

Pharoas is by the popular French sire, Pharis, who got Corail, winner of the Gimcrack Stakes for M. Bousac last year.

M. Bousac has accepted with the filly in preference to his son, Urban, though the latter, carrying the second colours, beat Pharoas at the Paris race-tracks, Maisons-Laffitte, last month.

Perhaps Pharoas will change her owner's luck on the British turf which this season has declined to the depths after his many successes in previous years since the war.

It was 16 years ago that the French owner won his first Gimcrack Stakes with Goya.

M. Bousac is also sending over six other horses to run in various events.

## IRELAND'S HOPES

Ireland's hopes are pinned on Mr. Raymond Bell's unbeaten Wyndham colt, Windy City, the winner of a race at Chester, and of Ireland's biggest two-year-old race, the "One Thousand Five Hundred" at Phoenix Park, Dublin.

A prominent English entry is Mr. Claude Harper's Fairfax, the winner of four races, three of which were worth over £1,000.

Sir Humphrey de Trafford has his Ascot winner, Indian Hemp, a colt by Nasrullah, in the race, and Lord Rosebury, like M. Bousac, will be represented by a filly.

He has accepted with Blaine, a daughter of Stallion out of Bousac, who brought a big victory in the 1950 Gimcrack Stakes.

At this stage, with no definite stable plans known, suggesting the probable winner is extremely difficult, for the race is, to put it mildly, wide open.

The five-furlong Nunthorpe Stakes, regarded as the unofficial sprint championship of the season, tops the bill on the first day.

Nine crack sprinters have accepted. A great race is promised with such horses as the three-year-old Stephen Paul, who missed the Stewards' Cup at Goodwood to run here, and Abadan, the Beekhampton Stables' successor to last year's winner, Abernethy.

Abadan, speedy son of Persian Gulf, showed a return to his best form at Goodwood when he beat a field of high class sprinters and is taken to win with Stephen Paul and another three-year-old, Royal Serenade, as the principal dangers.

The Yorkshire Oaks, also being run on the first day, has attracted 13 acceptances, including two from the powerful Bousac stables, Banquet and Monsoon. Both have tried to win in Britain before this season without success.

The finish is likely to be fought out between the Irish One Thousand Guineas winner, Queen of Sheba, and Mr. Jack Townley's Judith Paris, now a greatly improved filly.

The future winner of the well-known handicap, the Cesarewitch, may be seen out in the Ebor Handicap, over one mile and six furlongs, on the second day.

This is one of the oldest and most popular handicaps in the British racing calendar.

Some of Britain's leading stayers have dropped out at the acceptance stage but the 38 long-distance performers left in should make a good race of it.

## NOT SINCE 1931

Ton weight will be carried by the four-year-old Dark Warrior, who will shoulder the impost of nine stone by three pounds. Not since that famed hunter, Brown Jack, took it in 1931 has the race been won by a horse carrying nine stones or over, and the only other horse to accomplish the feat was March Along, in 1921.

One which appears "thrown in" on her last running is Djemil, bred by M. Bousac's famous stallion, Djebel, and owned by Mr. "Manna" Morris, who won the race in 1940 with another filly, Fox Trot.

Djemil, a three-year-old, is in with only seven stone. Since the publication of the weights when she was a maiden she won a race over the Ebor Handicap distance at York, beating three rivals with the greatest of ease.

Critics have judged that she had almost two stone in hand over the field that day.

Mr. Marcus Marsh's Newmarket stable has another candidate, Star Spangled Banner, in the race, but he is set to carry only one pound less than the top weight, Dark Warrior.

The Northern trainer, Mr. Sam Hall, who saddled Miraculous Atom to win the race in 1949, has three left in this year's Coleridge, winner of the Manchester, Newmarket Handicap last year, Caporetto and Galgath.

Caporetto has run prominently without winning this season and may Coleridge will be somewhat of the saviour. Oaks was won by a French mare, French

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## WHITEWAYS

WHITEWAY ALL-WEATHER CLOTHING

# THE MECCA OF GOLF— The Dutch Brought There Their Game Of "Hedkolfin"

By JACK HOUSE

Ever since I said that, not only did I not play golf, but that I didn't even think very much of the game, golfers have looked at me as though I should go around shouting "Unclean, unclean!" and ringing an outcast's bell. But let me make it quite clear that it was with no idea of ingratiating myself with these megalomaniacs that I went to St Andrews, Fifeshire.

I was drawn to St Andrews because I read that a display of "Royal and Ancient regalia and historical clubs" was taking place in the Royal and Ancient Clubhouse. As one whose ambition it has been for years to enter the Forbidden City of Tibet, I yearned to enter the golfing Holy of Holies. Some people said I'd never be allowed in.

And I began to agree with them when I arrived in St. Andrews around midday, and discovered from the green leaflet of local events and activities that the exhibition was open only from 10.30 to 11.30 each morning. I walked down Golf Street and looked with awe upon that squat grey building that is the Royal and Ancient Clubhouse. It has one of the most exclusive looks of any building I have ever seen.

## IT TAKES COURAGE

I plucked up my courage and walked in. There stood the Hall Porter, a small man, but with an air that makes you think he's at least six feet tall. I wasn't quite sure whether I should get down on my knees and knock my brow three times on the floor or not. Hesitantly, I explained that I was late for the exhibition.

"If you've come all the way across Scotland from Glasgow, to see it," declared Mr. Euston, "you must see it." And so saying, he darted off for a key and led the way across the hall into a room with a large notice saying "SILENCE."

I wondered if I shouldn't be taking my outdoor shoes off and putting on heelless slippers, but it seemed that this was an informal occasion.

Mr. Euston led me past a table with newspapers and magazines spread out, and a chess board with the men already set for a game, and came to a hall outside a large red safe, which was flanked by two long, glass-covered bookcases. The bookcases were full of golf clubs and other objects of interest.

I had hardly had time to take this in when Mr. Euston cried, "This is what you want to see!" unlocked the safe, drew a bolt, and threw wide the doors. Electric light blazed down on the regalia—golf balls, medals and crosses, all shining in gold and silver. It was like a miniature edition of Aladdin's Cave.

Mr. Euston stood by with a look of modest elation on his face. I exclaimed in wonder:

## Hal Newhouser May Be Put On Inactive List

St. Louis, Aug. 19. Hal Newhouser yearns for a chance "to get in there and pitch some more," but Detroit Tiger manager Red Wolfe said today he is considering putting the sizzling left-hander on the inactive list.

A veteran of 13 seasons with the Tigers, Newhouser injured his arm on July 8 against Cleveland at Detroit. He has been practically inactive since, and now has a season's record of six victories and six defeats. He last pitched on July 14 and lost.

Wolfe said somberly he is ready to put Newhouser on the inactive list because "it does not look like his arm is going to get better."—United Press.

## Finally—A Tour Of Britain

Brighton, Aug. 19. French riders took the honours on the first stage of the first cycling tour of Britain today when over 50 competitors covered the initial stage between London and Brighton.

First into Brighton was Gabriel Audemar (France) in 3 hrs. 55 mins. 52 secs. followed by Edmond Pierre (France) in 3 hrs. 57 mins. 31 secs. and Alec Taylor (Independent, England), in 3 hrs. 58 mins. 11 secs.—Reuter.

## Open Triples Final Postponed

The Colony Open Triples Lawn Bowls final between the Omar brothers and R. Bass, C. R. Rowlett and J. S. Landolt, fixed for yesterday, was postponed as a result of the weather. The match will be played off on Sunday, Sept. 2, at the Kowloon Bowling Green Club, starting at 4 p.m.

With the air of one who has said all this before but still enjoys its repetition, Mr. Euston took me on a tour of the trophies. There were two clubs covered with clusters of golf balls.

## EVERY CAPTAIN ADDS ONE

"Every captain here," explained Mr. Euston, "must add a silver ball to the set, unless he is a member of the Royal Family, when it must be a gold ball. There are five gold balls there."

I saw the silver putter given by a member who bet another member that he'd outlive him. And there was a kangaroo's paw from the Australian Golf Club, and a silver boomerang from the Royal Australian Golf Club. I was invited to admire the Queen Victoria Jubilee Vase, which is really a racing trophy, given to the club by a chap who won it.

There was the Queen Adelaide Medal which is won by the captain of the club the moment he strikes the ball from the first tee. And the Calcutta cup—"Indian rupee," declared Mr. Euston, "took four years to make—over 100 Hindu gods and goddesses may be found upon it."

In sharp contrast to all this glitter was a broad red rather shabby-looking belt. "That was the Open Championship Belt," said Mr. Euston, "won by young Tom Morris in 1873, but the belt was in existence seven or eight years before that. They say the idea was taken from the Longside Belt." (British boxing trophy).

I felt it was a pity that men like Bobby Locke, Max Faulkner and John Pantor don't get belts to wear nowadays. He opened a box or two and showed me some of the oldest golf clubs in the world. "Our clubs go back to the 12th century," he said, and I noticed that, as I stretched my hand out towards the club, he skillfully manipulated it out of my way. "This was the striking face," he said, "and this was the digging face."

## BLINDED BY SCIENCE

In no time at all he had me completely blinded with science. Mr. Euston has been blind Porter at the R. and A. Club since 1928. Golf just trips off his tongue.

"In France," he said, "they played jeu-de-mail, with clubs like croquet mallets and a wooden ball. And so on and so on. He took me over to the window and pointed across the bright green of the Old Course to an indentation in the coast. "The Dutch seamen," said Mr. Euston, "came in there at the end of the 16th century and played a game of golf on the grass. The nearest inn was where we are standing now. They had a long way to come, and they made a game of it."

"They brought from Holland their hedkolfin sticks, and they played a form of golf from the Eden to the inn. Then, when they were going back to their boats, they played the same game to the Eden. And that's how golf came to St. Andrews."

I gazed with awe upon the scene. Think of it—these old Dutchmen, centuries and centuries ago, playing their simple game across the links of St. Andrews from a river to a tavern. And now golf has fallen into the hands of the

## Geoffrey Duke Wins Ulster Grand Prix

Belfast, Aug. 18.

Geoffrey Duke, the British motor cycling racer, today added the 500 c.c. world championship to the 350 c.c. title by winning the Ulster Grand Prix over the Clady circuit near Belfast today.

In heavy rain, he led throughout the 250 miles and won with an average speed of 55.12 miles an hour.

The Australian, Ken Kavanagh, in his first race as a member of the official Norton team, rode brilliantly to finish second, two and a half minutes behind.

In an exciting last lap, he beat the Italian, U. Masselli, on a Gilera by 20 seconds.—Reuter.

business men, the astrologers, the pedants, the accountants, and fellows who would never think of going into a tavern. I thanked Mr. Euston warmly, and walked back to St. Andrews Station thinking deeply:

# English Soccer Season Opens With Attendance Of Over A Million

London, Aug. 18.

England's football season opened today and with it the increased admittance charge of three-pence being added to the minimum charge. It appeared to make little difference to the fans for well over 1,000,000 people turned up to give the season a rousing send-off.

Major surprises were the defeat of the champions, Tottenham. Hotspur and the victory of a weakened Chelsea team at Blackpool. Last season Chelsea avoided relegation on goal average.

On a day when goals were fairly plentiful, the Cup holders, Newcastle, stole the limelight by getting six against Stoke.

The honour of obtaining the first goal of the new campaign fell to Taylor of Huddersfield, who broke through the Arsenal defence, famed for its strength, within two minutes of the start.

The quickest goal, however, was scored by Henley for Reading against Port Vale who scored in 30 seconds—a match which started 15 minutes later than the Arsenal game. A goal from Rodgers for Bristol City against Newport in 40 seconds also came in a match starting at the later time.

Tottenham's defeat at Middlesbrough was a tragedy for Brian Farley who made his League debut at centre-half, had the misfortune to put through his own goal. This enabled Middlesbrough to equalise an earlier Tottenham score. Tottenham can perhaps take heart from the fact that they lost their opening match of last season but went on to win the championship. Middlesbrough must be well satisfied with the display of Neil Mochan whom they signed from Morton for £14,000 during the close season.

Without a doubt the most unexpected result was Chelsea's win at Blackpool. Their dismal display last season, the failure to sign on this season by two of their stars, Bentley and Harels, and the withdrawal from football of their left-half, Mitchell, did not suggest that Chelsea had much hope against the Cup finalists, but this most inconsistent team proved the experts wrong and Blackpool helped by missing a penalty—Alan Brown being the man to fail.

A missed penalty led to one of the day's most exciting games—at Derby. Derby led Sunderland at half-time by two goals to one despite stamps falling from the roof. Then Sunderland took the lead soon after the interval, but Morris equalised only for Ford to score a winner for Sunderland at minute of the end.

The promoted clubs Preston and Manchester City had every cause for satisfaction, Preston winning at Fulham and Manchester City holding the powerful Wolverhampton Wanderers to a draw although here again a missed penalty (Paul for Manchester) played a vital part.

## SPLENDID START

Five goals against Aston Villa gave Bolton a splendid start while Portsmouth also accomplished a good performance at Liverpool though without three of their first team men.

## KCC Cricketers

## To Hold Meeting

All Kowloon Cricket Club members interested in cricket are reminded that a special meeting is to be held in the clubhouse on Wednesday of this week, at 8.30 p.m., to discuss plans for the forthcoming season.

Celtic also recorded their first League Cup win, beating Morton in a close game. Both goals were scored in the second half by Evans who was married on Friday, and Huron, a Negro centre-forward from Detroit who was making his debut in Scottish football.

## SHE THROWS FOR BRITAIN



Suzanne Farmer, 16-year-old Brighton student, is a British international in the Discus Throw, in which event she holds the English record, and the Shot Put. —Express Photo.

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England, left to get 163 for a victory in their second innings, scored 164 for six to win by four wickets. Earlier they had dismissed South Africa for 154. In their first innings South Africa made 202, England replying with 194.

Len Hutton (27) and Frank Lawson (37) gave England a good start before both were out with the score at 53. Hutton given out "obstructed field," the first instance of such a decision in a Test match.

Four wickets were down for 90, and in mounting excitement, Freddie Brown, England's captain, and Willie Watson (15) took the score to 132, when Watson fell. Brown, hitting bravely and surviving many narrow escapes, had made 40 when he was out leg-before.

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## COUNTY CRICKET

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The following are the closing play scores in County cricket matches:

At Lord's: Middlesex 402 for 2 declared, Brown not out 232, Robertson 89, Dower not out 68, Somerset 40 for no wicket.

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Following are the averages of the Test cricket series between England and South Africa: England: Batting: M. H. May 111, Len Hutton 113, Denis Compton 105, Reg Empey 112, Trevor Bailey 109, Willie Watson 105, Fred Lewis 105, John Ikin 105, Jim Laker 105, Watson, c. Enders, b. Chubb 105, Brown, l.b.w. b. Chubb 105, Laker, not out 13, D. Brown, not out 5, Shackleton, not out 9, Extras 2.

Bowling: O. M. R. W. McCarthy 7 0 17 1, Melle 24 1 2 77 2, Chubb 28 6 53 3.

—Reuter.

HUTTON EXPLAINS. London, Aug. 18. Len Hutton said, after the fifth Test match at The Oval today that he was not trying to put the wicket-keeper off when he was given out for obstructing the field in England's second innings.

Giving his version of the incident he said, "I tried to sweep the ball to leg but the ball struck me on the top of the left glove and ran up my arm. The next thing I saw it in front of my eyes and I thought that



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## Reds Said To Be Exporting Drugs

London, Aug. 19.  
Big-scale drug smuggling in Europe is not just a game of cops and robbers any more—politics has become an important part of the immoral traffic.

At opposite ends of the world where Communist East meets democratic West there are reports that the Reds are exporting drugs.

While the reliability of these reports is difficult to assess, it is known that plans are being made for the production of narcotics in Eastern Europe and sizable amounts of drugs for legal, medicinal purposes are shipped from some Communist States.

Also, bulk supplies of opium became available to the Reds when the Communists took over the Chinese Government. Backing this up, the United Nations permanent Central Opium Board in Geneva reported last year that the Chinese Communist Government offered 700 tons of raw opium for sale in Hongkong.

The Board's report said this was "a matter of concern" and noted without comment that production of opium has been illegal in China since 1934.

In Vienna, occupied by the Russians and Western powers, Austrian police say the Communist States are shipping narcotics to the West as a source of dollar income.

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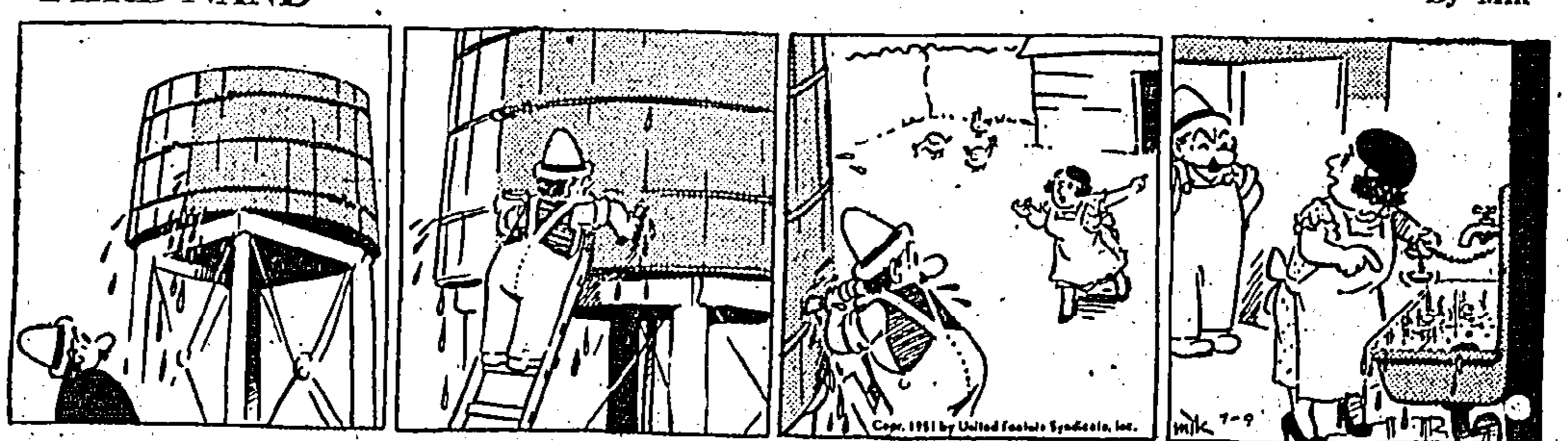
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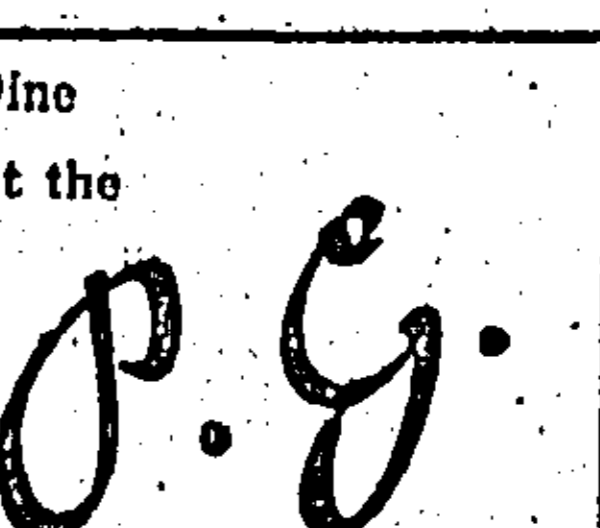


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## Film Festival Challenge

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Giants such as the United States, Britain, France and Italy are being challenged by dwarfs like the Philippines and Israel. Unknown quantities abound while two films being given their world premiere at the festival have provoked the most excited discussion.

These are Orson Welles' "Othello" and Elio Kazan's adaptation of Tennessee Williams' "Streetcar Named Desire". Orson Welles has been working on "Othello" for over a year and the critics are intensely interested to see how he treats Shakespeare's unfortunate hero. Hollywood's Elio Kazan won a second prize at last year's festival with "Panic in the Streets".—Rout.

## Jews' Position In Germany

Berlin, Aug. 19.  
The Central Council of Jews in Germany today opened a two-day conference here to discuss the situation of the Jewish community in Germany.  
Chief Rabbi Dr. Leo Baeck of London told the United Press he hoped that a "good group of West German politicians who would lead the civil road on which Germany started many years before Hitler will gain influence in Germany". He did not think that the mass of German people were antisemitic, but had been misled by false philosophy, members of the Nazi regime, the Government and the Protestant Church.  
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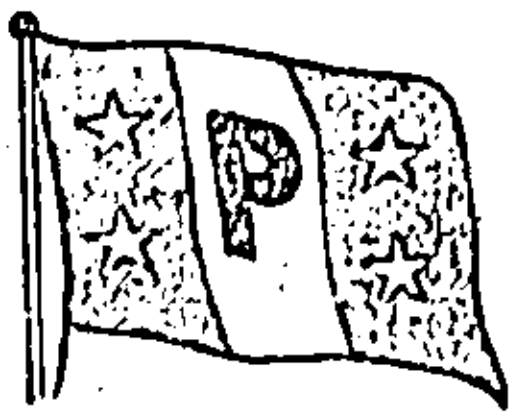
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## Wall Street Gets New Lease Of Life

New York, Aug. 19.

With renewed vigour, the stock market last week again started punching its way toward 1951 peak price levels.

The rise was hampered by the railroads. Buyers were reluctant to step forward while railroad officials were expressing their keen disappointment over the smallness of the recent freight rate increase, and while freight business itself was falling off.

There was still that Wall Street belief, held by one segment of the financial community, that the bull market is weakened by the lack of vigorous support. Nevertheless, progress was made.

The Associated Press average of 60 stocks advanced 70 cents on the week and stood at \$90.00, cents at Friday's close. That is only 90 cents away from the 1951 peak.

The industrial component advanced a strong \$1.70 but the railroad component moved contrary to the demand and lost 30 cents.

Since the low point of this year, June 29, the market advanced five straight weeks, fell back, and then resumed the climb last week.

The rise of American Telephone last week by 4-3/8 to 162-1/4, excited unusual interest. It made a new 1951 high on Friday and was the 11th most active issue, and the eyes of its more than a million stockholders followed the advance.

The 32,105,104 shares of common stock outstanding added \$140,722,502 to their value. Wall Street reports that investors are

### Rubber Futures In Spore

Singapore, Aug. 18.

Prices of rubber futures closed today as follows:—

Number 1 rubber, per lb.	101-1/2
August	101-1/2
September	101-1/2
October	101-1/2
Number 2 rubber, per lb.	100-1/2
August	100-1/2
September	100-1/2
October	100-1/2
Black crepe	100-1/2
No. 1 pale crepe	100-1/2

# BRITAIN'S FOREIGN TRADE

## Slight Improvement Recorded In July

### American Aid Plans Defended

Washington, Aug. 19.

A top official of the Economic Co-operation Administration said today that President Truman's proposed foreign aid programme would provide the United States "with badly-needed security at a bargain price."

The statement was made by Mr. N. Halaby, Jr., assistant to the ECA chief, Mr. William Foster, in charge of international security affairs, even as Administration forces all but abandoned hopes of getting Congress to approve the full programme. The House already has trimmed the original \$5,500,000,000 arms and economic aid programme to \$7,498,000,000.

Senate supporters originally had hoped to restore the funds in the upper chamber but now probably will settle for no further reductions.

Mr. Halaby told a reporter the original programme was such a good bargain it might have saved American taxpayers "billions of dollars" in the long run. While he did not say so, he obviously hoped there would be no further cuts. He said that, for example, France currently was planning to produce 12-ton tank destroyers from \$312,000 worth of copper, nickel, zinc, non-ferrous metals and machine tools supplied by the United States, and it meant that the United States was putting up four per cent of the total cost. The tank destroyers would cost more if produced here because of higher labour costs.

Under another project, the ECA is providing Denmark with \$285,000 worth of processed carbon steel and copper alloy and powder which would be processed into \$1,125,000 worth of 40 calibre ammunition. Still another United States grant of \$462,487 will produce \$5,271,000 worth of French-made reconnaissance cars.

"If we had to supply all the finished military products," said Mr. Halaby, "our end item expenses would go up tremendously. What we are doing is giving away some things in return for some military power. We are providing things. France is providing some things too, plus trained men, factories and economic machinery."—United Press.

### TEXTILE SENTIMENT IMPROVES

New York, Aug. 19.

Sentiment in the cotton textile market improved last week as mills noted an increase in inquiries for goods.

This may mean a turning point in the prolonged period of dullness and declining prices experienced over the past several months, dealers say.

However, the inquiries were not translated into any appreciable sales. Prices on print, cloths, sheetings, and other constructions tended to move lower. One reason for the apathy of buyers, mill men said, was the fact that the August 8 Government cotton crop report was so close to expectations.

One leading producer of tobacco cloth reduced prices on that consideration to 97 cents on a poundage basis compared with \$1.14 a pound previously quoted, and the decline stimulated some sales in this long dormant section of the market.

The popular 30-print cloth sold in fair volume for the four quarters at 20 cents a yard at the mill level.

Wool goods experienced another quiet week. Rayon goods developed a staidier tone during the week, the first encouraging note in many weeks. There was more activity in taffetas which moved up as much as 10 1/2 cents a yard over the previous week.—Associated Press.

### Abaca Expansion Programme

Washington, Aug. 19.

Mr. W. Stuart Symington declared recently that the Reconstruction Finance Corporation expects to complete abaca production expansion programme in 1952.

Mr. Symington testified before a closed session of the House Appropriations Committee last June and his testimony was released today. Mr. Symington said the agency now has 25,000 acres under cultivation, but hopes to expand to 50,000 in 1952.—United Press.

## New Policy Suggested For Closing The "Gap"

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT)

London, Aug. 19.

Provisional figures published this week show that Britain's overseas trade position improved slightly last month. With imports virtually unchanged at £358.9 million the trade "gap" was some £20 million smaller than in the previous months, when it reached the record figure of £148.9 million.

The improvement, therefore, was almost entirely due to the increase in exports to £222 million.

It is too early yet to draw any definite conclusions from these figures. The rise in the value of exports is encouraging but it is not yet clear whether this was due to the rise in volume or in the price of our exports—or both.

On the import side there is as yet no indication that we are getting the benefit of the decline in raw material prices earlier this year. All that can be said with any certainty at this stage is that our import bill is still alarmingly high.

Britain's adverse balance of trade—the excess of imports over exports—amounted to £268 million in the first seven months of this year—an annual rate of about £1,100 million. When adjustments are made for the proportion of the import bill usually paid to British companies in the form of freight and insurance charges etc., and deductions made for the estimated value of invisible exports, this indicates a payments deficit at annual rate of about £350 million compared with a surplus of £229 million last year.

There are various ways in which this deficit could be scaled down even if it is now too late to eliminate it altogether. One way—the way the Government has in fact chosen—is to export manufacturers to step up their exports and at the same time to exercise strict control over the volume of our imports. But it is extremely doubtful whether exports could be increased to the full extent necessary to close the trade "gap" without depriving the defence industries of scarce materials and manpower.

Some further measures are therefore required to improve the terms of trade, and inhibit exports which compete with the armament programme.

#### TAX ON EXPORTS?

Such a policy has now been suggested by an independent research organisation known as Political and Economic Planning, whose reports on current economic problems have earned widespread acclaim.

In its latest report, P.E.P. says one way in which the Government could achieve the dual aim of improving the terms of trade and inhibiting exports which compete with the defence programme would be by imposing a selective tax on exports.

It argues that "in theory such a tax could discriminate not only between products so as to drive out of the foreign markets the products of industries which are needed for armament production at home, while merely assuring that other industries charge prices high enough to earn the greatest possible amount of foreign exchange, but also between countries of destination so as to limit exports bringing in less desired currencies in order to leave more goods for hard currency markets."

But P.E.P. admits that in practice discrimination between countries would probably be incompatible with Britain's existing undertakings and would be likely to arouse the strongest opposition, particularly from the United States.

The argument in official quarters against export taxes is that the result would be unfavourable on balance since taxes would provoke retaliation. P.E.P. argues, on the other hand, that the producers of Britain's imports are already charging the highest prices the market will bear. But they admit that it is not beneficial to gain an immediate advantage at the cost of increasing uncertainties of international trade.

#### WORTH CONSIDERATION

It points out, however, that an export tax avoids the danger associated with an improvement in the terms of trade through the producers of exports. If higher export prices led to an increase in export prices, which might be difficult or impossible to reduce in future, then in less favourable conditions it would tend to weaken the foreign position of Sterling. Taxes on exports, on the other hand, could be raised or reduced whenever it seemed desirable to do so.

As a short-term solution this proposal has certain attractions.

or, as P.E.P. puts it, "the idea seems worth serious consideration."

P.E.P. points out that such a tax could be made to improve the terms of trade without allowing more of the gains than appears desirable to be absorbed by consumption and at the same time to prevent the attraction of the export markets from diverting resources from the armament programme.

But is that all it would do?

A long-term problem requires something more than a short-term solution. The balance of payments problem is not something that can be blamed entirely on the war in Korea, world rearmament programmes and high import prices, though of course these things have contributed to it.

#### ESSENTIAL AIMS

It was a problem long before these things happened, even though we managed to disguise it last year by running down our stocks of raw materials to a dangerously low level. Even if import prices dropped tomorrow to their pre-Korea level and the need to rearm was suddenly removed we should still be a long way from achieving our declared economic aims—which are to restore Sterling to full convertibility and, with the help of our Sterling Area partners, to achieve a permanent balance in our trade with dollar countries.

Until these two aims are achieved, we cannot honestly claim to have resolved our economic difficulties.

Not only should we do everything in our power to progress towards convertibility and a satisfactory balance of trade under normal conditions; we should also reject any measure that might prejudice our ability to do so. A tax on exports might seem to be an easy way to force up our export prices to some countries while discouraging exports altogether to others but it would be fatal if such a move resulted in a loss of markets to our competitors—Germany and Japan, for instance.

#### STOCK EXCHANGE

Main item of interest in the past week's news from the Stock Exchange, is the fact that industrial ordinary share prices, as shown by the Financial Times index, now stand higher than they did immediately before Mr. Goldsmith's announcement of dividend control.

This recovery is not as remarkable as it may perhaps seem. Investors are by nature people who cannot bear to see money standing idle. They have decided, therefore, that in the absence of other profitable channels of investment they can do no better than hold on, and this is what they have in fact done.

The news from Persia that Mr. Stokes' proposals may be turned down cause some nervousness in the markets towards the end of the week, and this was reflected in some falls in the oil shares market, but selling was negligible.

The announcement that Russia intended to take part in the San Francisco Peace Conference led to some sharp falls in Japanese bonds but these were mostly recovered later in the week when President Truman made it clear that the United States would brook no interference with the terms of the peace treaty.

Other news affecting the markets was the announcement of higher prices for steel, followed a little later by the decision to return to the wartime system of allocation for steel supplies.

An announcement of the terms of the forthcoming British Guiana Loan caused some weakness in gilt-edged prices but the market became firmer at the end of the week.

## HONGKONG SHARE MARKET

(From Our Correspondent)

Business done on the Stock Exchange this morning was valued at \$451,433.85. Noon prices and the morning's transactions:—

SHARES	BUYERS	SELLERS	SALES
HSBC	100	100	100
Bank of China	100	100	100
East Asia	100	100	100
Union	100	100	100
Underwriters	100	100	100
Bank of Communications	100	100	100
HSBC	100	100	100

DOCKS	BUYERS	SELLERS	SALES
Amoy	100	100	100
Whampoa	100	100	100
Shanghai	100	100	100
Swatow	100	100	100
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UTILITIES	BUYERS	SELLERS	SALES
Amoy	100	100	100
Whampoa	100	100	100
Shanghai	100	100	100
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INDUSTRIALS	BUYERS	SELLERS	SALES
Amoy	100	100	100
Whampoa	100	100	100
Shanghai	100	100	100
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